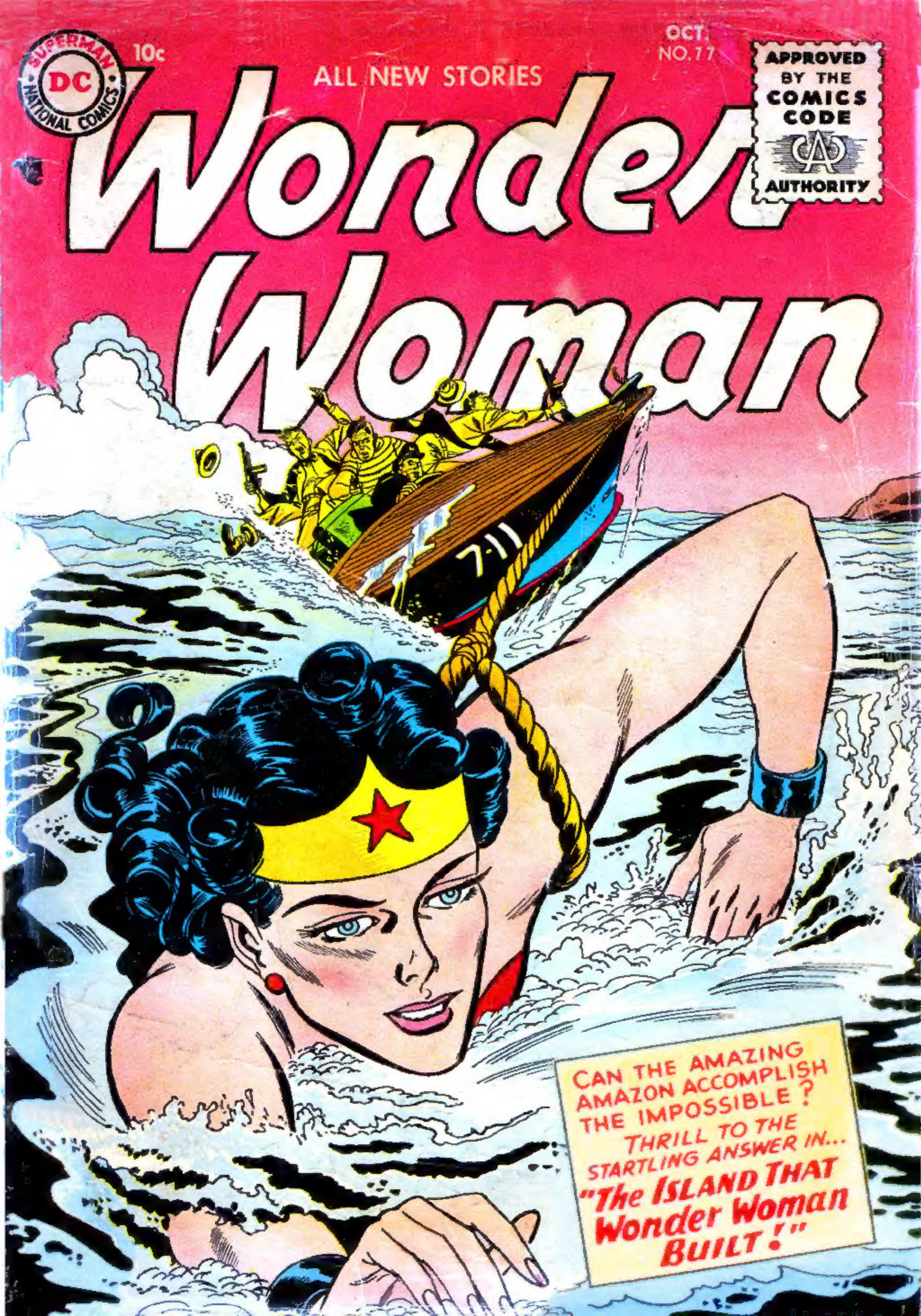
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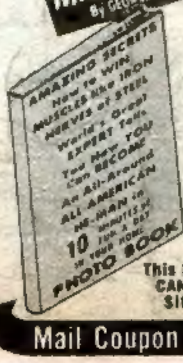
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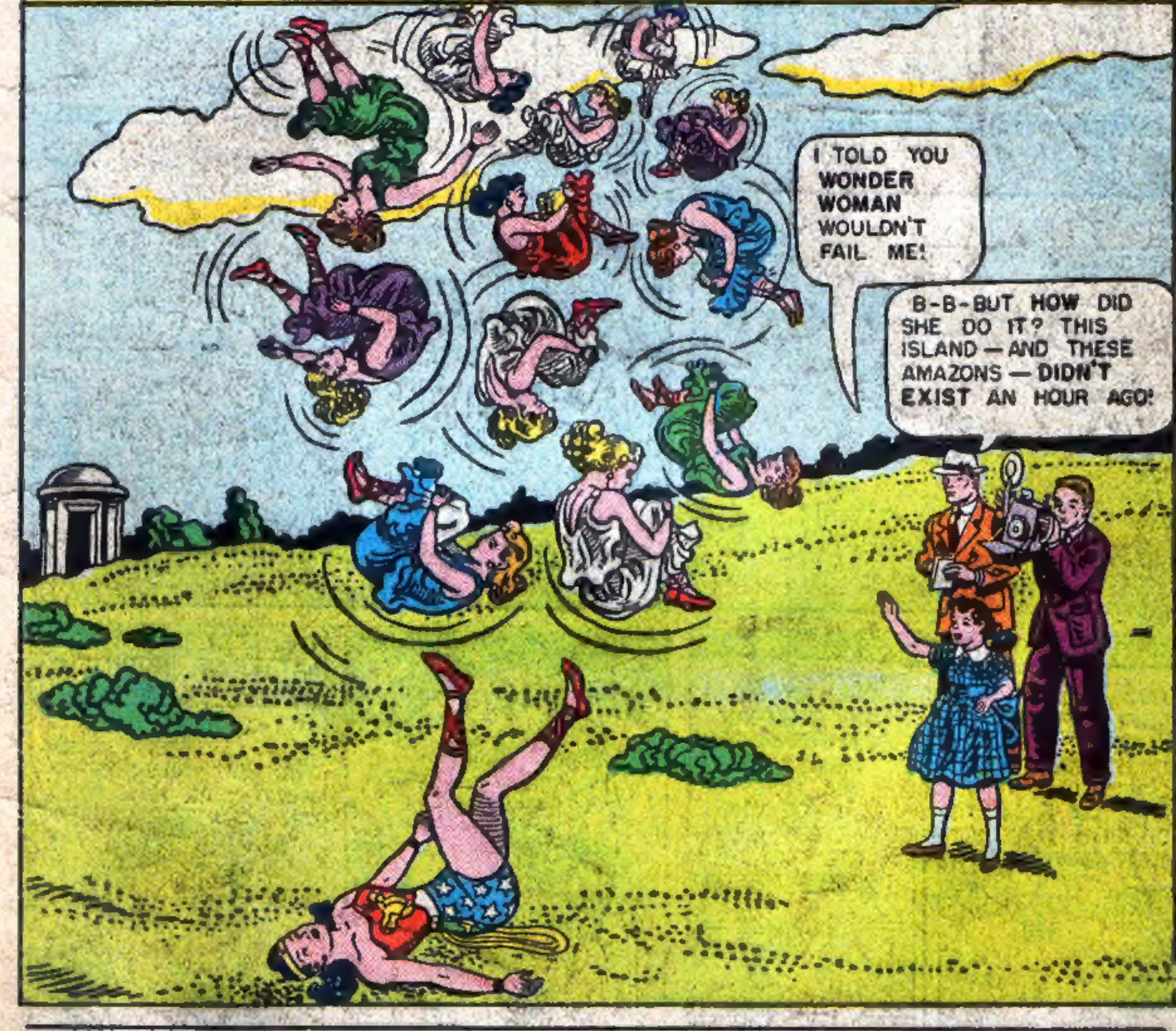
I TOLD YOU WONDER WOMAN WOULDN'T FAIL ME!
B-B-BUT HOW DID SHE DO IT? THIS ISLAND — AND THESE AMAZONS — DIDN'T EXIST AN HOUR AGO!

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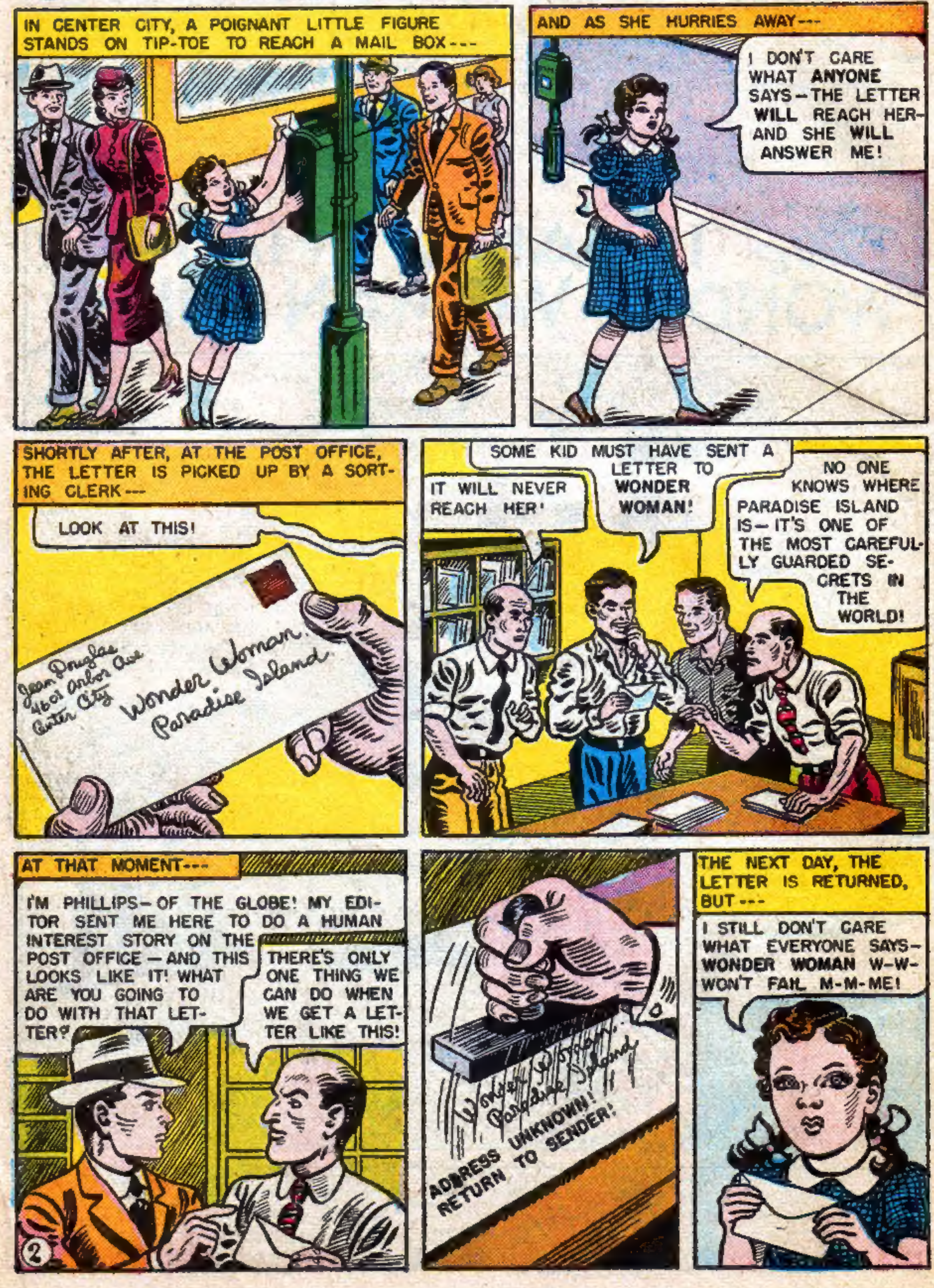
IN CENTER CITY, A POIGNANT LITTLE FIGURE STANDS ON TIP-TOE TO REACH A MAIL BOX---
AND AS SHE HURRIES AWAY---
I DON'T CARE WHAT ANYONE SAYS—THE LETTER WILL REACH HER—AND SHE WILL ANSWER ME!
SHORTLY AFTER, AT THE POST OFFICE, THE LETTER IS PICKED UP BY A SORTING CLERK---
LOOK AT THIS!
Jean Douglas
4601 Arbor Ave
Center City
Wonder Woman
Paradise Island
IT WILL NEVER REACH HER!
SOME KID MUST HAVE SENT A LETTER TO WONDER WOMAN!
NO ONE KNOWS WHERE PARADISE ISLAND IS—IT'S ONE OF THE MOST CAREFULLY GUARDED SECRETS IN THE WORLD!
AT THAT MOMENT---
I'M PHILLIPS—OF THE GLOBE! MY EDITOR SENT ME HERE TO DO A HUMAN INTEREST STORY ON THE POST OFFICE—AND THIS LOOKS LIKE IT! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH THAT LETTER?
THERE'S ONLY ONE THING WE CAN DO WHEN WE GET A LETTER LIKE THIS!
Wonder Woman
Paradise Island
ADDRESS UNKNOWN! RETURN TO SENDER!
THE NEXT DAY, THE LETTER IS RETURNED, BUT---
I STILL DON'T CARE WHAT EVERYONE SAYS—WONDER WOMAN W-W-WON'T FAIL M-M-ME!
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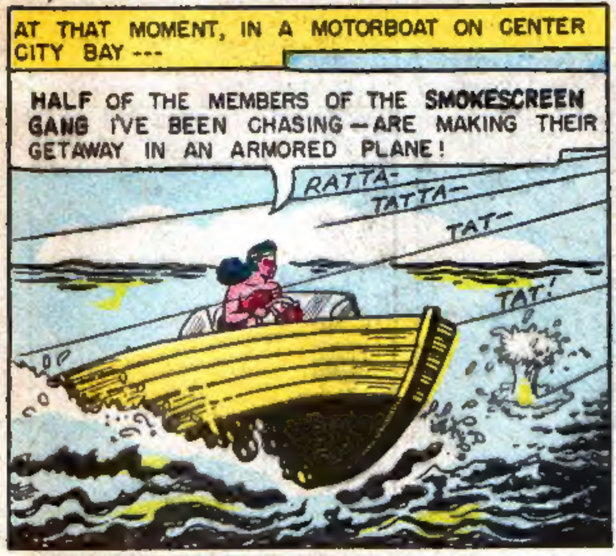
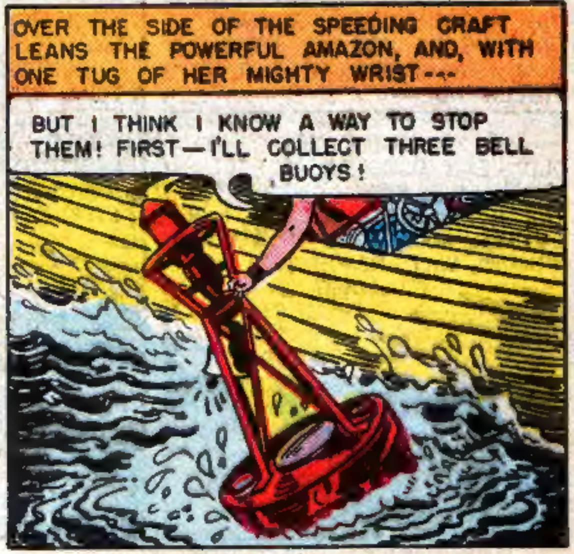
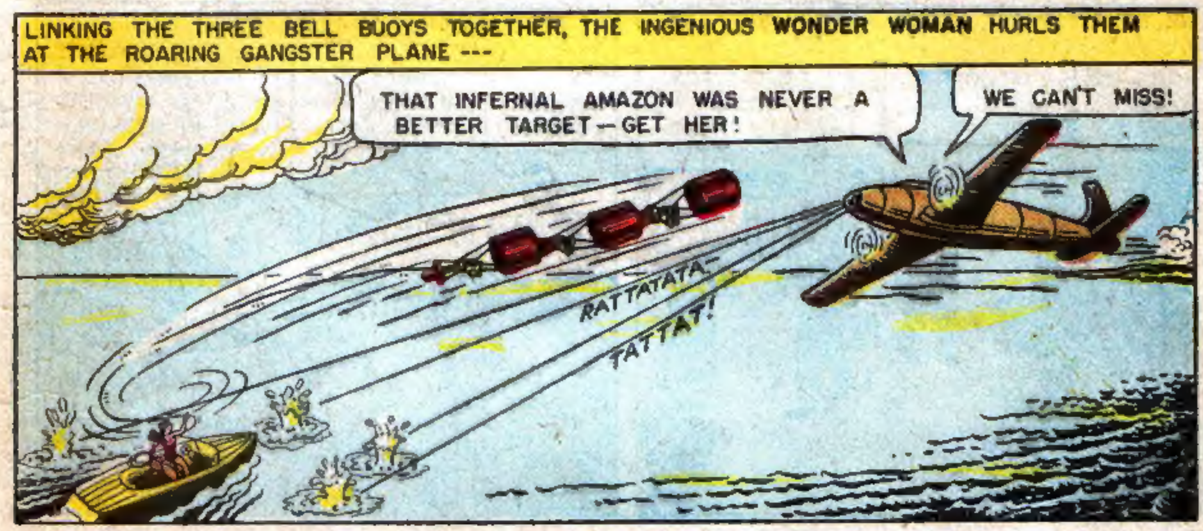
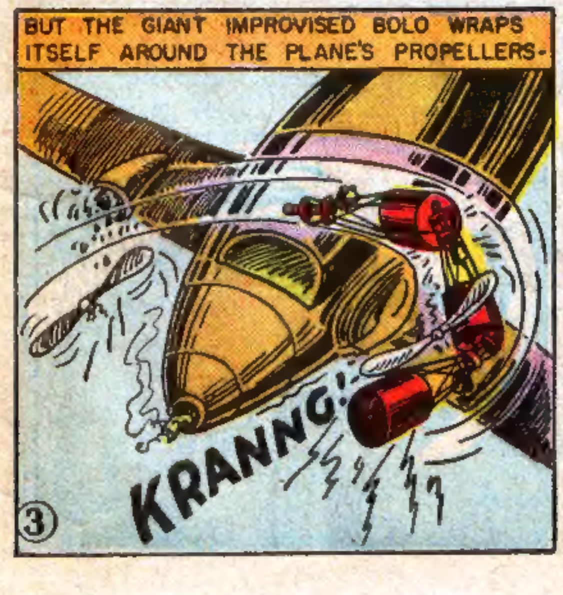

AT THAT MOMENT, IN A MOTORBOAT ON CENTER CITY BAY ---
HALF OF THE MEMBERS OF THE SMOKESCREEN GANG I'VE BEEN CHASING — ARE MAKING THEIR GETAWAY IN AN ARMORED PLANE!
RATTA- TATTA- TAT- TAT!


OVER THE SIDE OF THE SPEEDING CRAFT LEANS THE POWERFUL AMAZON, AND, WITH ONE TUG OF HER MIGHTY WRIST ---
BUT I THINK I KNOW A WAY TO STOP THEM! FIRST — I'LL COLLECT THREE BELL BUOYS!


LINKING THE THREE BELL BUOYS TOGETHER, THE INGENIOUS WONDER WOMAN HURLS THEM AT THE ROARING GANGSTER PLANE ---
THAT INFERNAL AMAZON WAS NEVER A BETTER TARGET — GET HER!
WE CAN'T MISS!
RATTATATA- TATTAT!


BUT THE GIANT IMPROVISED BOLO WRAPS ITSELF AROUND THE PLANE'S PROPELLERS-
KRANNG!
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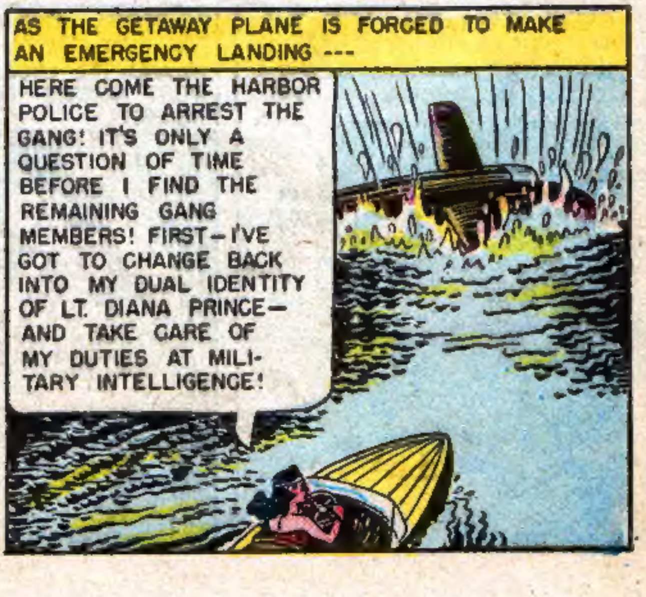
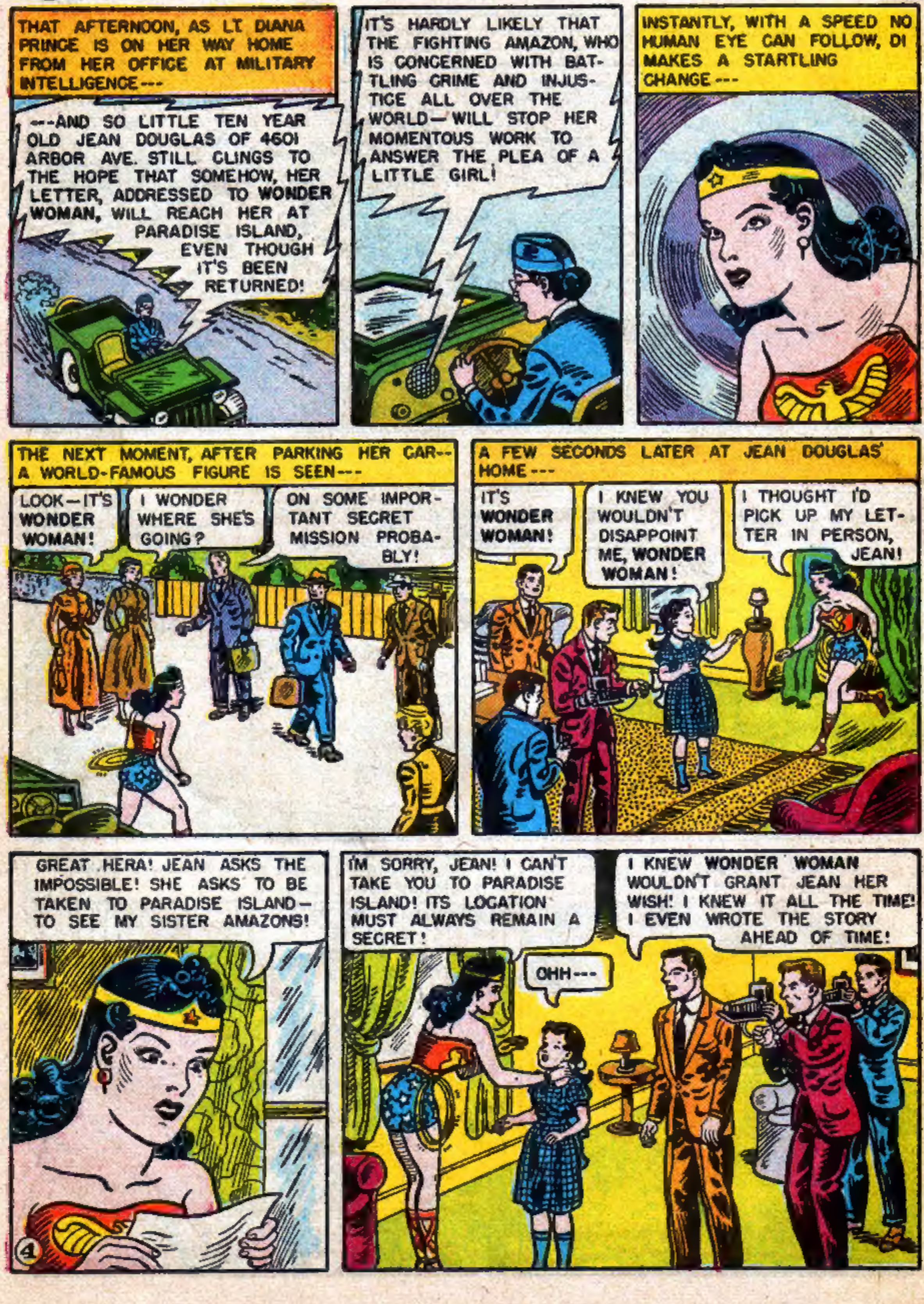
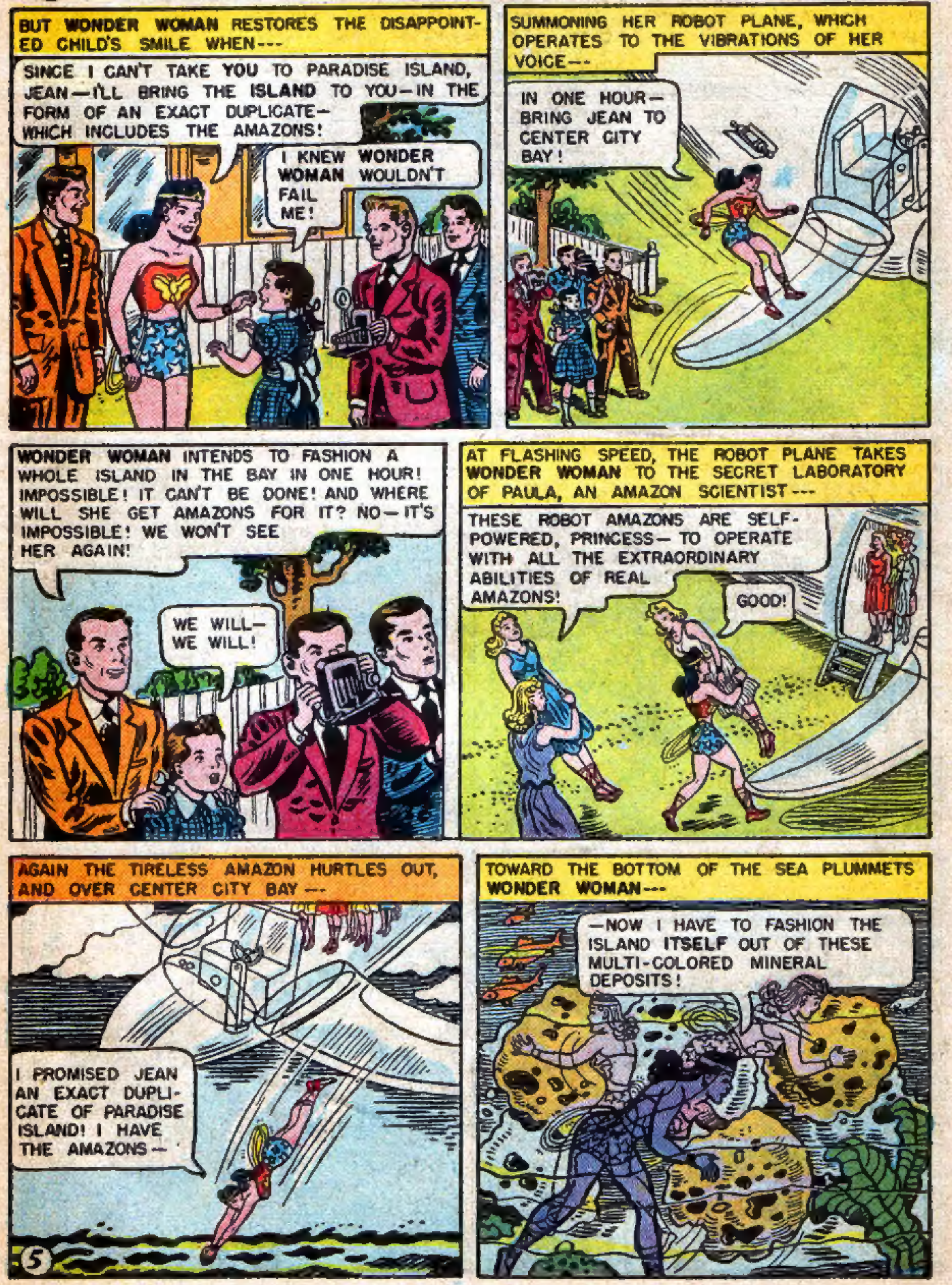

AS THE GETAWAY PLANE IS FORCED TO MAKE AN EMERGENCY LANDING ---
HERE COME THE HARBOR POLICE TO ARREST THE GANG! IT'S ONLY A QUESTION OF TIME BEFORE I FIND THE REMAINING GANG MEMBERS! FIRST — I'VE GOT TO CHANGE BACK INTO MY DUAL IDENTITY OF LT. DIANA PRINCE — AND TAKE CARE OF MY DUTIES AT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE!


THAT AFTERNOON, AS LT. DIANA PRINCE IS ON HER WAY HOME FROM HER OFFICE AT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE---
---AND SO LITTLE TEN YEAR OLD JEAN DOUGLAS OF 4601 ARBOR AVE. STILL CLINGS TO THE HOPE THAT SOMEHOW, HER LETTER, ADDRESSED TO WONDER WOMAN, WILL REACH HER AT PARADISE ISLAND, EVEN THOUGH IT'S BEEN RETURNED!
IT'S HARDLY LIKELY THAT THE FIGHTING AMAZON, WHO IS CONCERNED WITH BATTLING CRIME AND INJUSTICE ALL OVER THE WORLD—WILL STOP HER MOMENTOUS WORK TO ANSWER THE PLEA OF A LITTLE GIRL!
INSTANTLY, WITH A SPEED NO HUMAN EYE CAN FOLLOW, DI MAKES A STARTLING CHANGE---
THE NEXT MOMENT, AFTER PARKING HER CAR--A WORLD-FAMOUS FIGURE IS SEEN---
LOOK—IT'S WONDER WOMAN!
I WONDER WHERE SHE'S GOING?
ON SOME IMPORTANT SECRET MISSION PROBABLY!
A FEW SECONDS LATER AT JEAN DOUGLAS' HOME---
IT'S WONDER WOMAN!
I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T DISAPPOINT ME, WONDER WOMAN!
I THOUGHT I'D PICK UP MY LETTER IN PERSON, JEAN!
GREAT HERA! JEAN ASKS THE IMPOSSIBLE! SHE ASKS TO BE TAKEN TO PARADISE ISLAND—TO SEE MY SISTER AMAZONS!
I'M SORRY, JEAN! I CAN'T TAKE YOU TO PARADISE ISLAND! ITS LOCATION MUST ALWAYS REMAIN A SECRET!
OHH---
I KNEW WONDER WOMAN WOULDN'T GRANT JEAN HER WISH! I KNEW IT ALL THE TIME! I EVEN WROTE THE STORY AHEAD OF TIME!


BUT WONDER WOMAN RESTORES THE DISAPPOINTED CHILD'S SMILE WHEN---
SINCE I CAN'T TAKE YOU TO PARADISE ISLAND, JEAN—I'LL BRING THE ISLAND TO YOU—IN THE FORM OF AN EXACT DUPLICATE—WHICH INCLUDES THE AMAZONS!
I KNEW WONDER WOMAN WOULDN'T FAIL ME!
SUMMONING HER ROBOT PLANE, WHICH OPERATES TO THE VIBRATIONS OF HER VOICE--
IN ONE HOUR—BRING JEAN TO CENTER CITY BAY!
WONDER WOMAN INTENDS TO FASHION A WHOLE ISLAND IN THE BAY IN ONE HOUR! IMPOSSIBLE! IT CAN'T BE DONE! AND WHERE WILL SHE GET AMAZONS FOR IT? NO—IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! WE WON'T SEE HER AGAIN!
WE WILL—WE WILL!
AT FLASHING SPEED, THE ROBOT PLANE TAKES WONDER WOMAN TO THE SECRET LABORATORY OF PAULA, AN AMAZON SCIENTIST---
THESE ROBOT AMAZONS ARE SELF-POWERED, PRINCESS—TO OPERATE WITH ALL THE EXTRAORDINARY ABILITIES OF REAL AMAZONS!
GOOD!
AGAIN THE TIRELESS AMAZON HURTLES OUT, AND OVER CENTER CITY BAY---
I PROMISED JEAN AN EXACT DUPLICATE OF PARADISE ISLAND! I HAVE THE AMAZONS—
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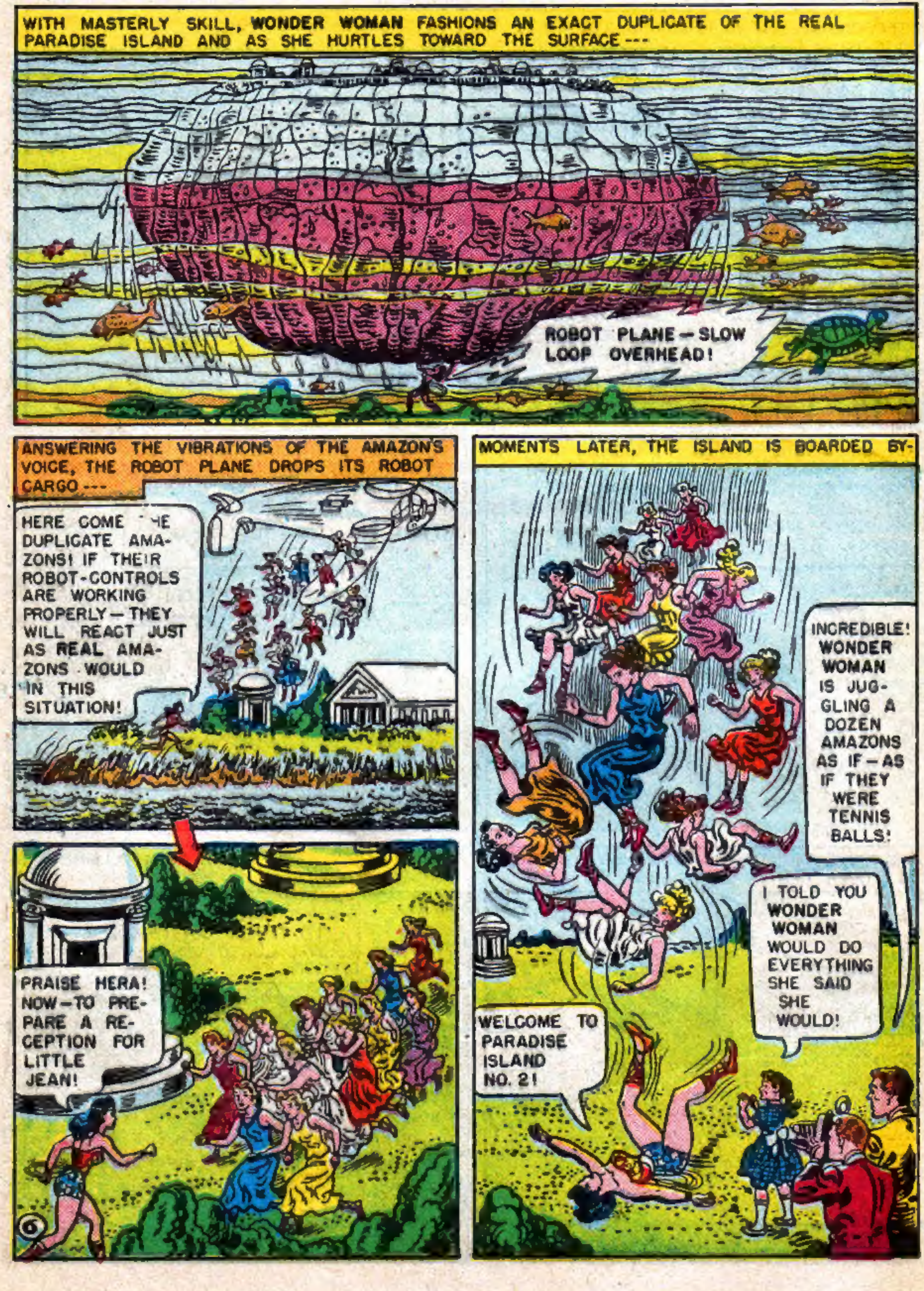
TOWARD THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA PLUMMETS WONDER WOMAN---
—NOW I HAVE TO FASHION THE ISLAND ITSELF OUT OF THESE MULTI-COLORED MINERAL DEPOSITS!


WITH MASTERLY SKILL, WONDER WOMAN FASHIONS AN EXACT DUPLICATE OF THE REAL PARADISE ISLAND AND AS SHE HURTLES TOWARD THE SURFACE---
ROBOT PLANE — SLOW LOOP OVERHEAD!
ANSWERING THE VIBRATIONS OF THE AMAZON'S VOICE, THE ROBOT PLANE DROPS ITS ROBOT CARGO---
HERE COME THE DUPLICATE AMAZONS! IF THEIR ROBOT-CONTROLS ARE WORKING PROPERLY — THEY WILL REACT JUST AS REAL AMAZONS WOULD IN THIS SITUATION!
PRAISE HERA! NOW — TO PREPARE A RECEPTION FOR LITTLE JEAN!
MOMENTS LATER, THE ISLAND IS BOARDED BY-
INCREDIBLE! WONDER WOMAN IS JUGGLING A DOZEN AMAZONS AS IF — AS IF THEY WERE TENNIS BALLS!
I TOLD YOU WONDER WOMAN WOULD DO EVERYTHING SHE SAID SHE WOULD!
WELCOME TO PARADISE ISLAND NO. 2!

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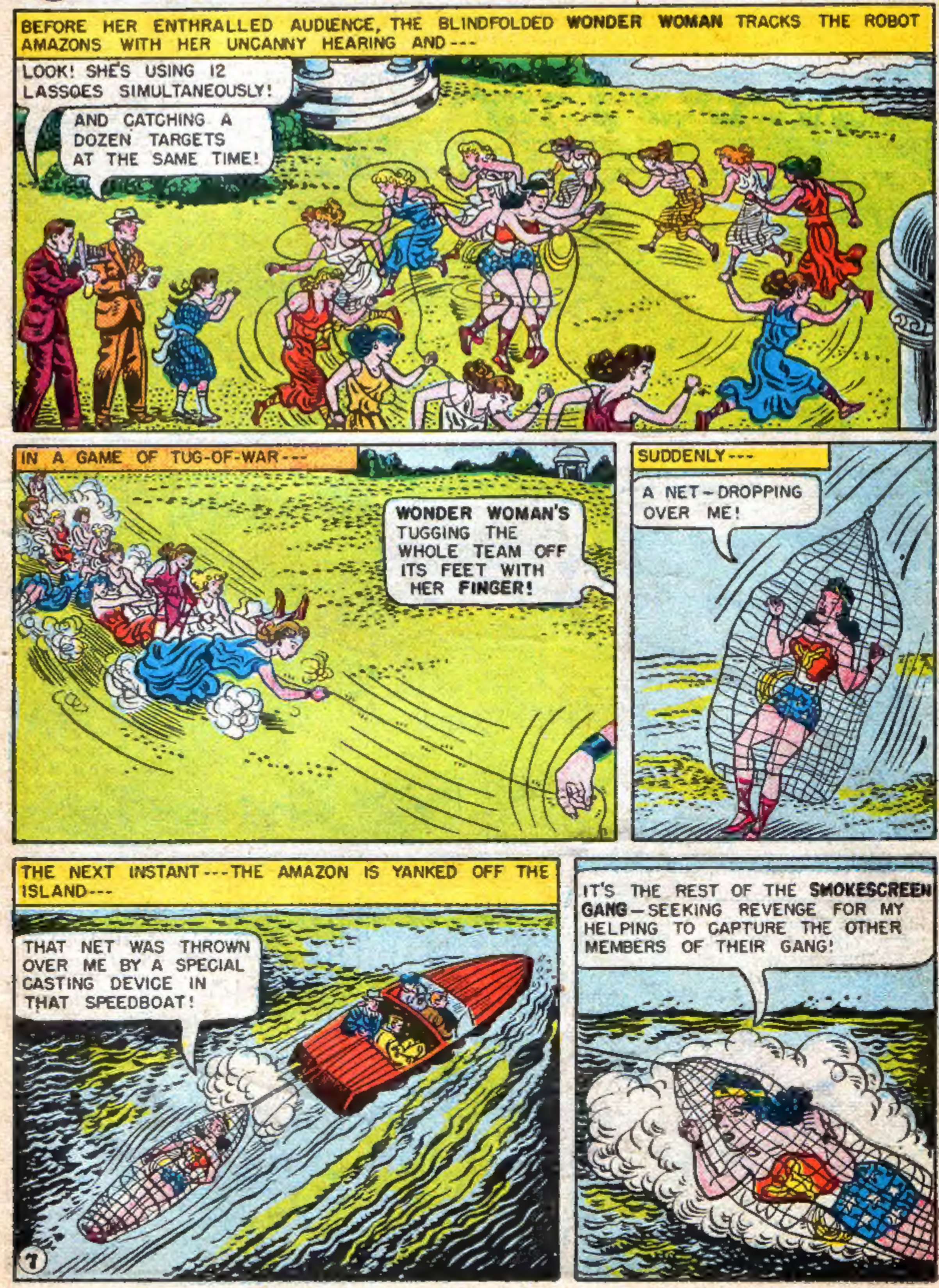
BEFORE HER ENTHRALLED AUDIENCE, THE BLINDFOLDED WONDER WOMAN TRACKS THE ROBOT AMAZONS WITH HER UNCANNY HEARING AND---
LOOK! SHE'S USING 12 LASSOES SIMULTANEOUSLY!
AND CATCHING A DOZEN TARGETS AT THE SAME TIME!
IN A GAME OF TUG-OF-WAR---
WONDER WOMAN'S TUGGING THE WHOLE TEAM OFF ITS FEET WITH HER FINGER!
SUDDENLY---
A NET-DROPPING OVER ME!
THE NEXT INSTANT---THE AMAZON IS YANKED OFF THE ISLAND---
THAT NET WAS THROWN OVER ME BY A SPECIAL CASTING DEVICE IN THAT SPEEDBOAT!
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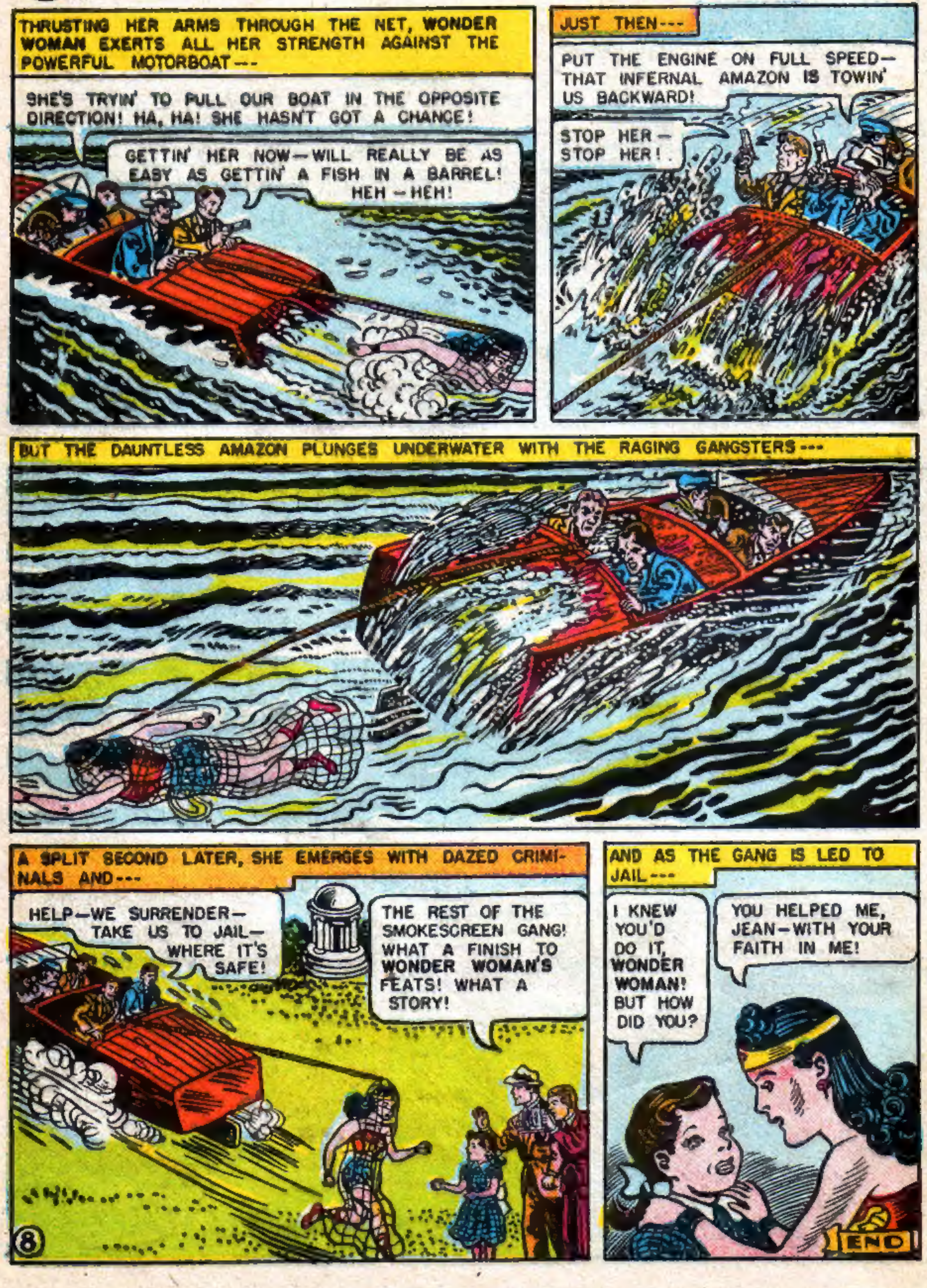
IT'S THE REST OF THE SMOKESCREEN GANG-SEEKING REVENGE FOR MY HELPING TO CAPTURE THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THEIR GANG!


THRUSTING HER ARMS THROUGH THE NET, WONDER WOMAN EXERTS ALL HER STRENGTH AGAINST THE POWERFUL MOTORBOAT---
SHE'S TRYIN' TO PULL OUR BOAT IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION! HA, HA! SHE HASN'T GOT A CHANCE!
GETTIN' HER NOW—WILL REALLY BE AS EASY AS GETTIN' A FISH IN A BARREL! HEH—HEH!
JUST THEN---
PUT THE ENGINE ON FULL SPEED—THAT INFERNAL AMAZON IS TOWIN' US BACKWARD!
STOP HER—STOP HER!
BUT THE DAUNTLESS AMAZON PLUNGES UNDERWATER WITH THE RAGING GANGSTERS---
A SPLIT SECOND LATER, SHE EMERGES WITH DAZED CRIMINALS AND---
HELP—WE SURRENDER—TAKE US TO JAIL—WHERE IT'S SAFE!
THE REST OF THE SMOKESCREEN GANG! WHAT A FINISH TO WONDER WOMAN'S FEATS! WHAT A STORY!
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AND AS THE GANG IS LED TO JAIL---
I KNEW YOU'D DO IT, WONDER WOMAN! BUT HOW DID YOU?
YOU HELPED ME, JEAN—WITH YOUR FAITH IN ME!
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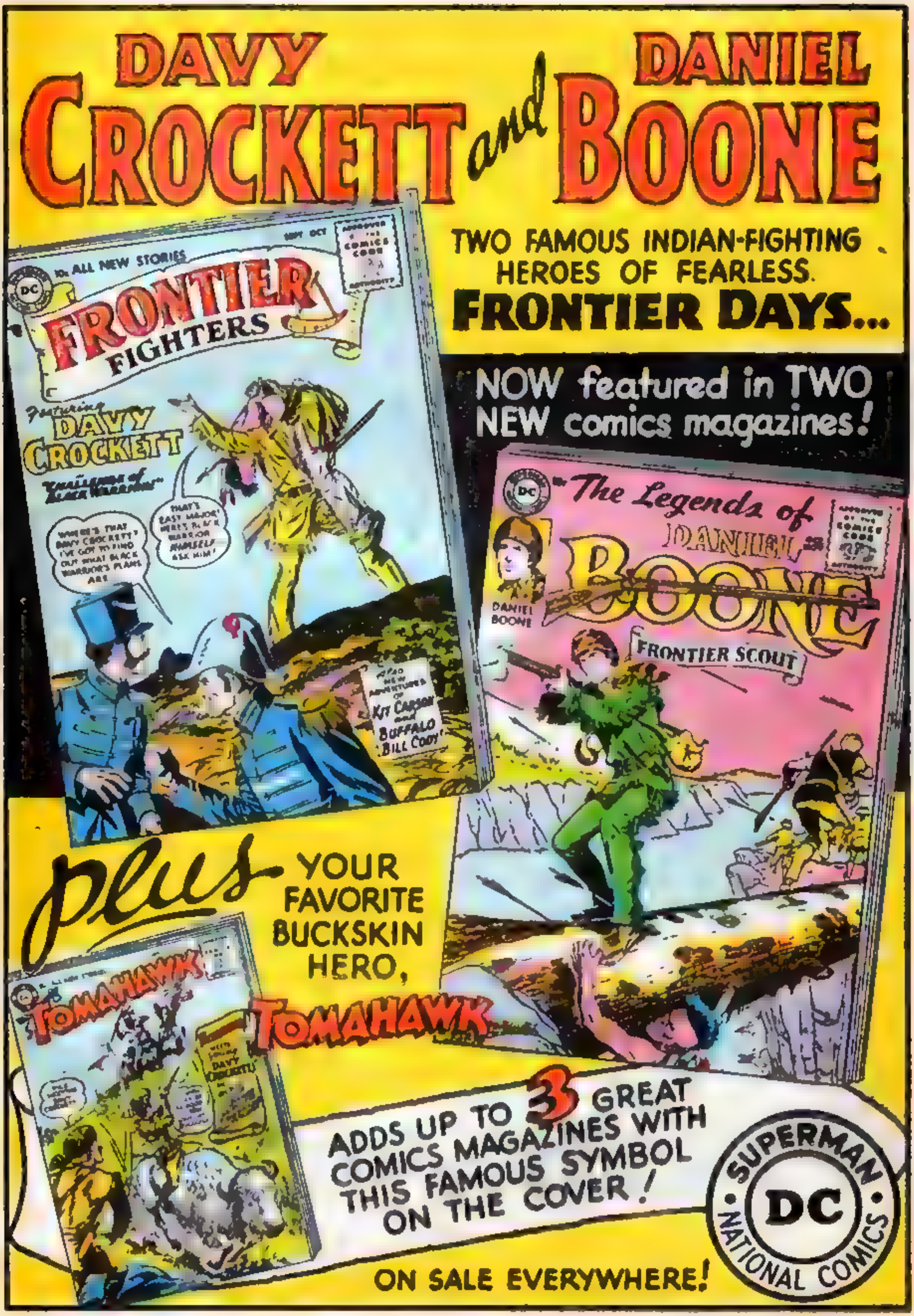

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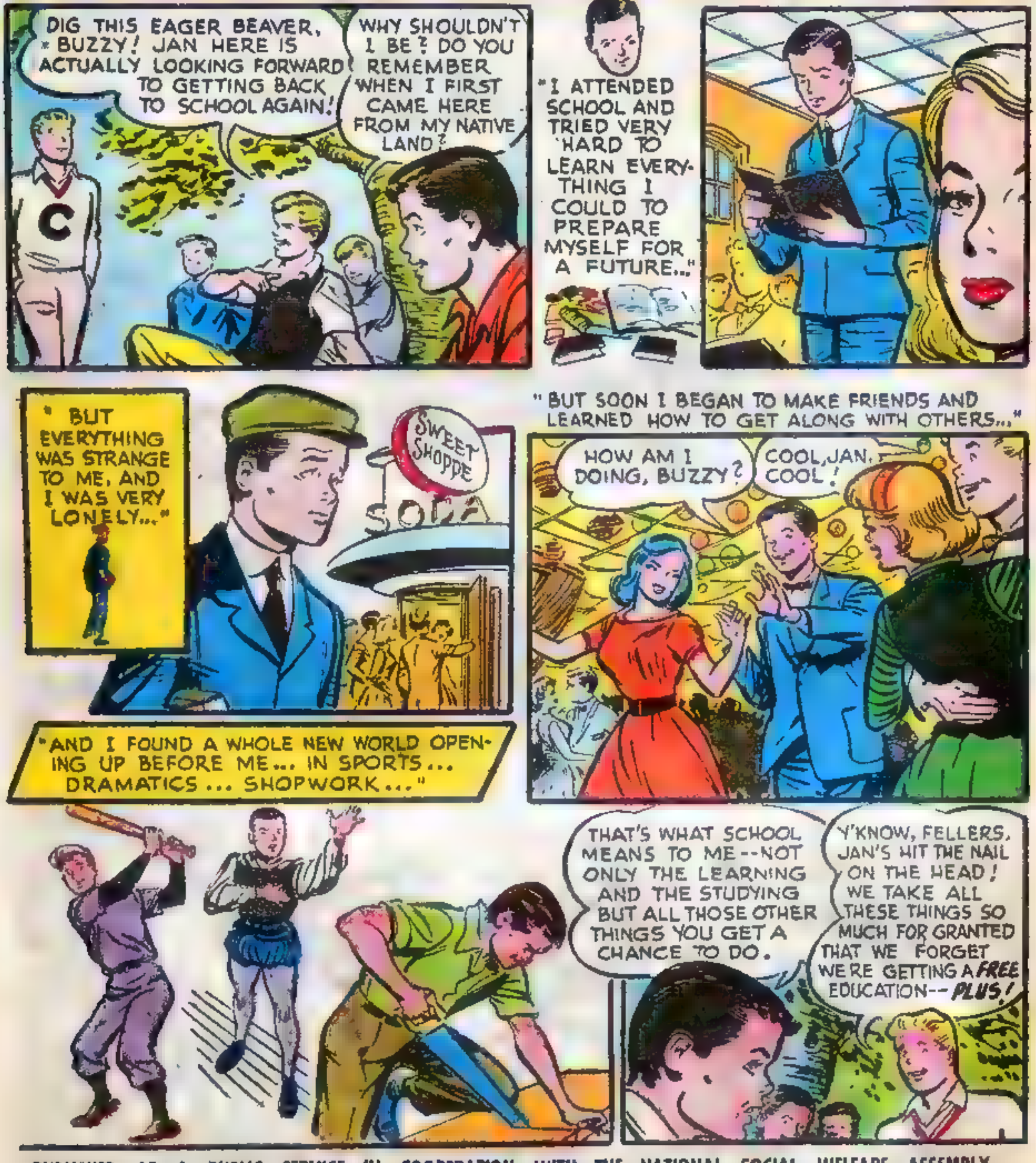
DIG THIS EAGER BEAVER, BUZZY! JAN HERE IS ACTUALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO GETTING BACK TO SCHOOL AGAIN!
WHY SHOULDN'T I BE? DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN I FIRST CAME HERE FROM MY NATIVE LAND?
C
"I ATTENDED SCHOOL AND TRIED VERY HARD TO LEARN EVERYTHING I COULD TO PREPARE MYSELF FOR A FUTURE..."
"BUT EVERYTHING WAS STRANGE TO ME, AND I WAS VERY LONELY..."
SWEET SHOPPE
SODA
"BUT SOON I BEGAN TO MAKE FRIENDS AND LEARNED HOW TO GET ALONG WITH OTHERS..."
HOW AM I DOING, BUZZY?
COOL, JAN. COOL!
"AND I FOUND A WHOLE NEW WORLD OPENING UP BEFORE ME... IN SPORTS... DRAMATICS... SHOPWORK..."
THAT'S WHAT SCHOOL MEANS TO ME -- NOT ONLY THE LEARNING AND THE STUDYING BUT ALL THOSE OTHER THINGS YOU GET A CHANCE TO DO.
Y'KNOW, FELLERS, JAN'S HIT THE NAIL ON THE HEAD! WE TAKE ALL THESE THINGS SO MUCH FOR GRANTED THAT WE FORGET WE'RE GETTING A FREE EDUCATION -- PLUS!

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By Charles Moulton

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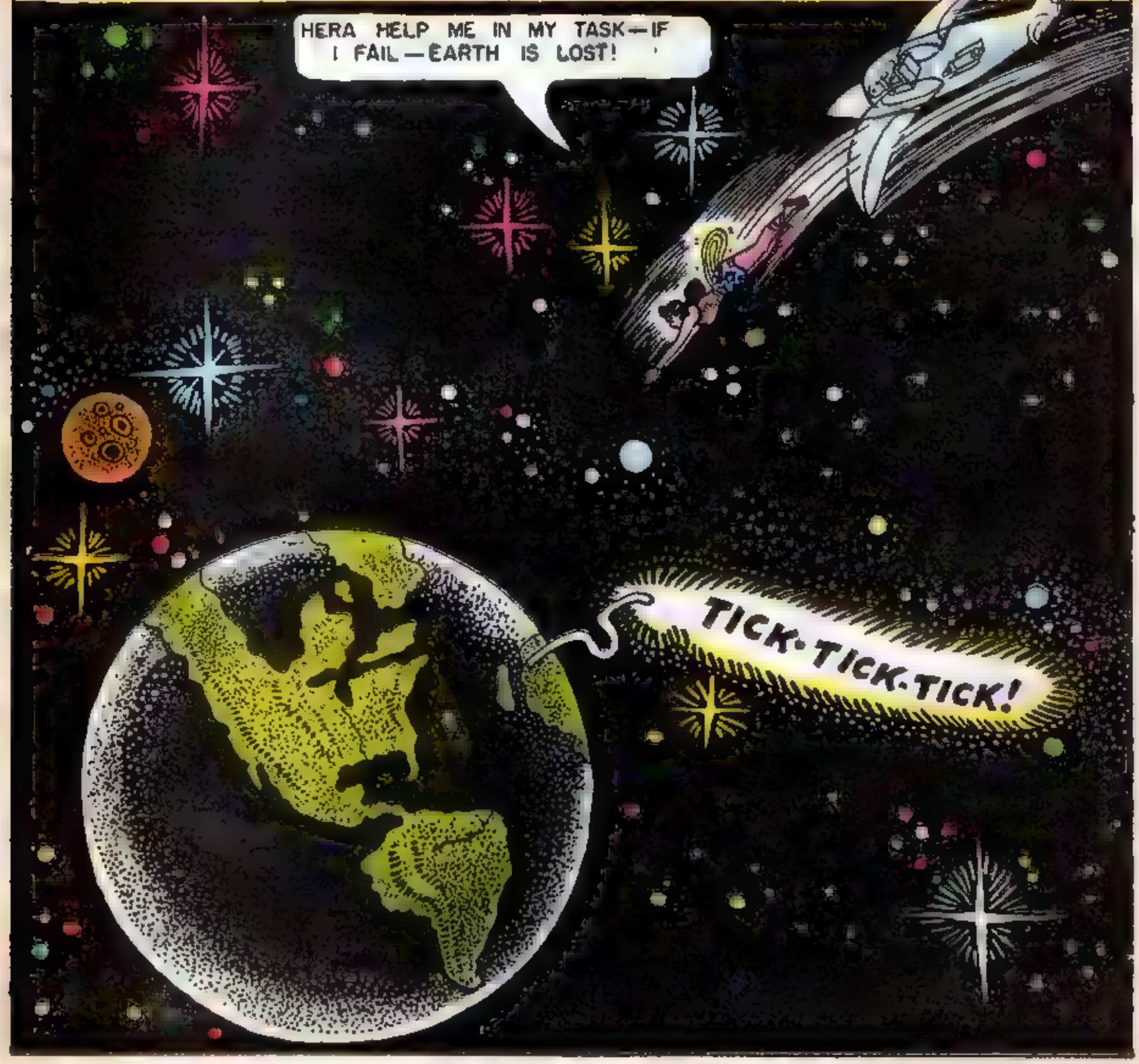
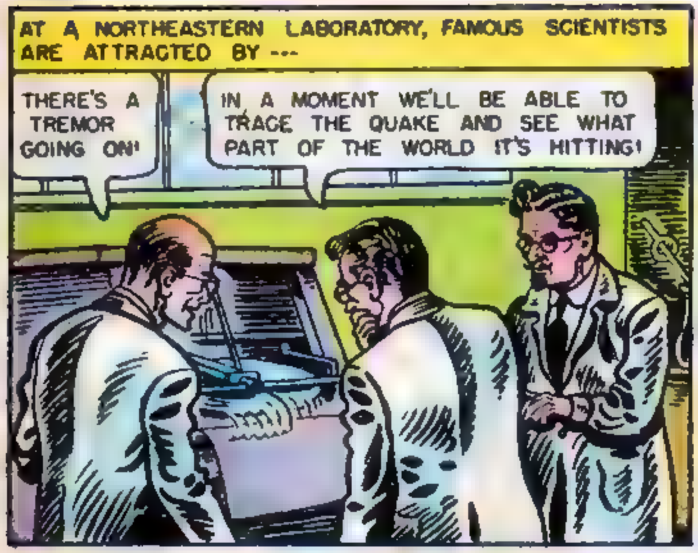
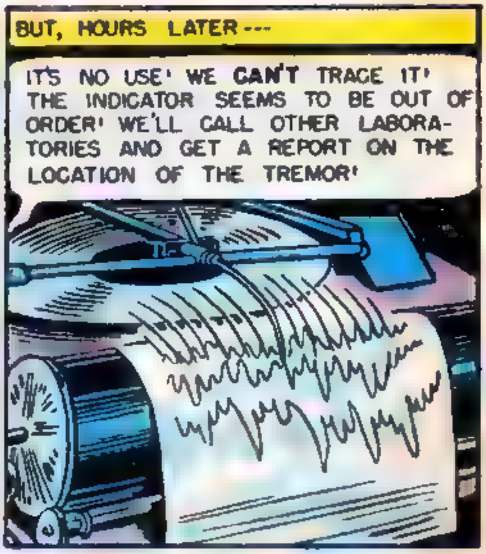
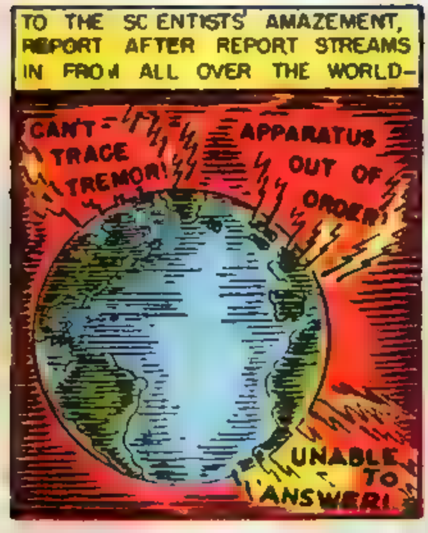
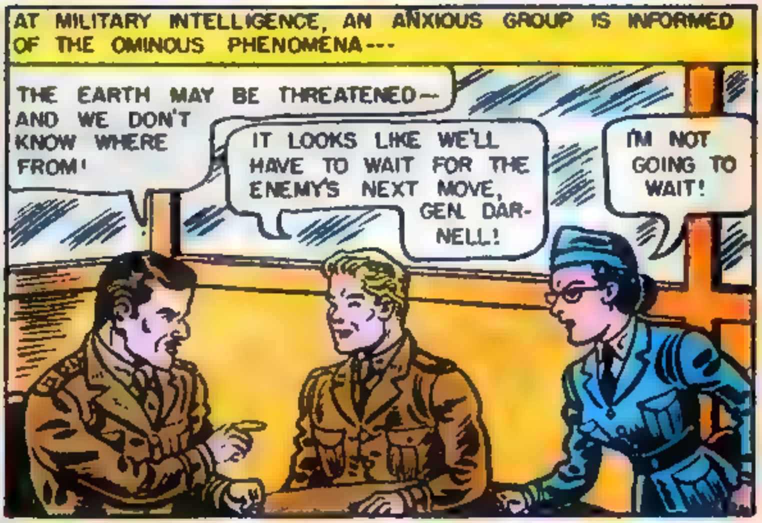
"The EARTH is a TIME BOMB!"

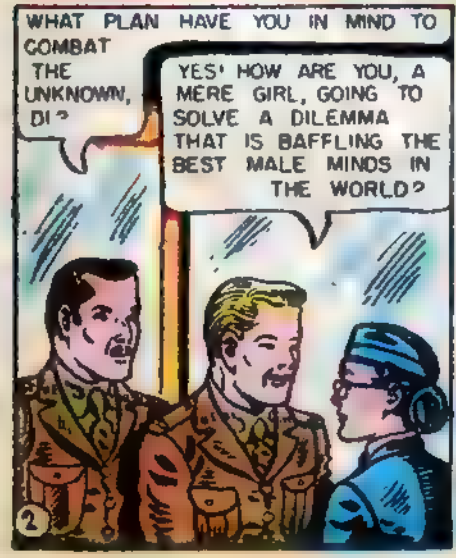

HERA HELP ME IN MY TASK—IF I FAIL—EARTH IS LOST!
TICK-TICK-TICK!

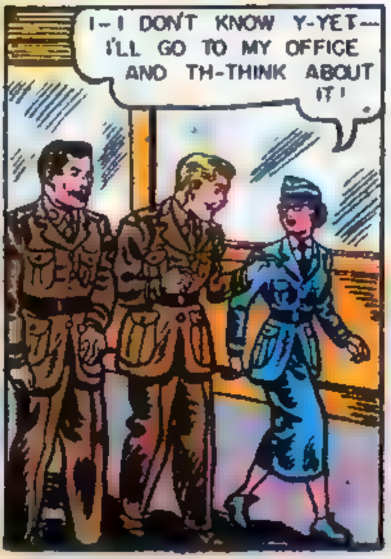

AT A NORTHEASTERN LABORATORY, FAMOUS SCIENTISTS ARE ATTRACTED BY ---
THERE'S A TREMOR GOING ON!
IN A MOMENT WE'LL BE ABLE TO TRACE THE QUAKE AND SEE WHAT PART OF THE WORLD IT'S HITTING!

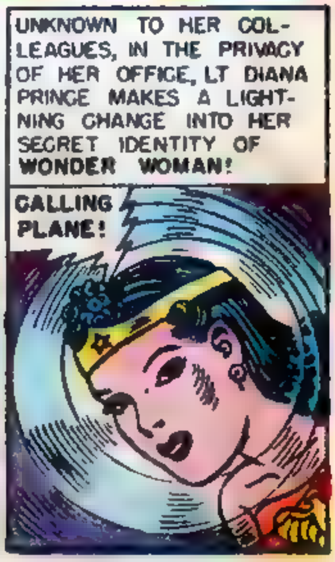

BUT, HOURS LATER ---
IT'S NO USE! WE CAN'T TRACE IT! THE INDICATOR SEEMS TO BE OUT OF ORDER! WE'LL CALL OTHER LABORATORIES AND GET A REPORT ON THE LOCATION OF THE TREMOR!

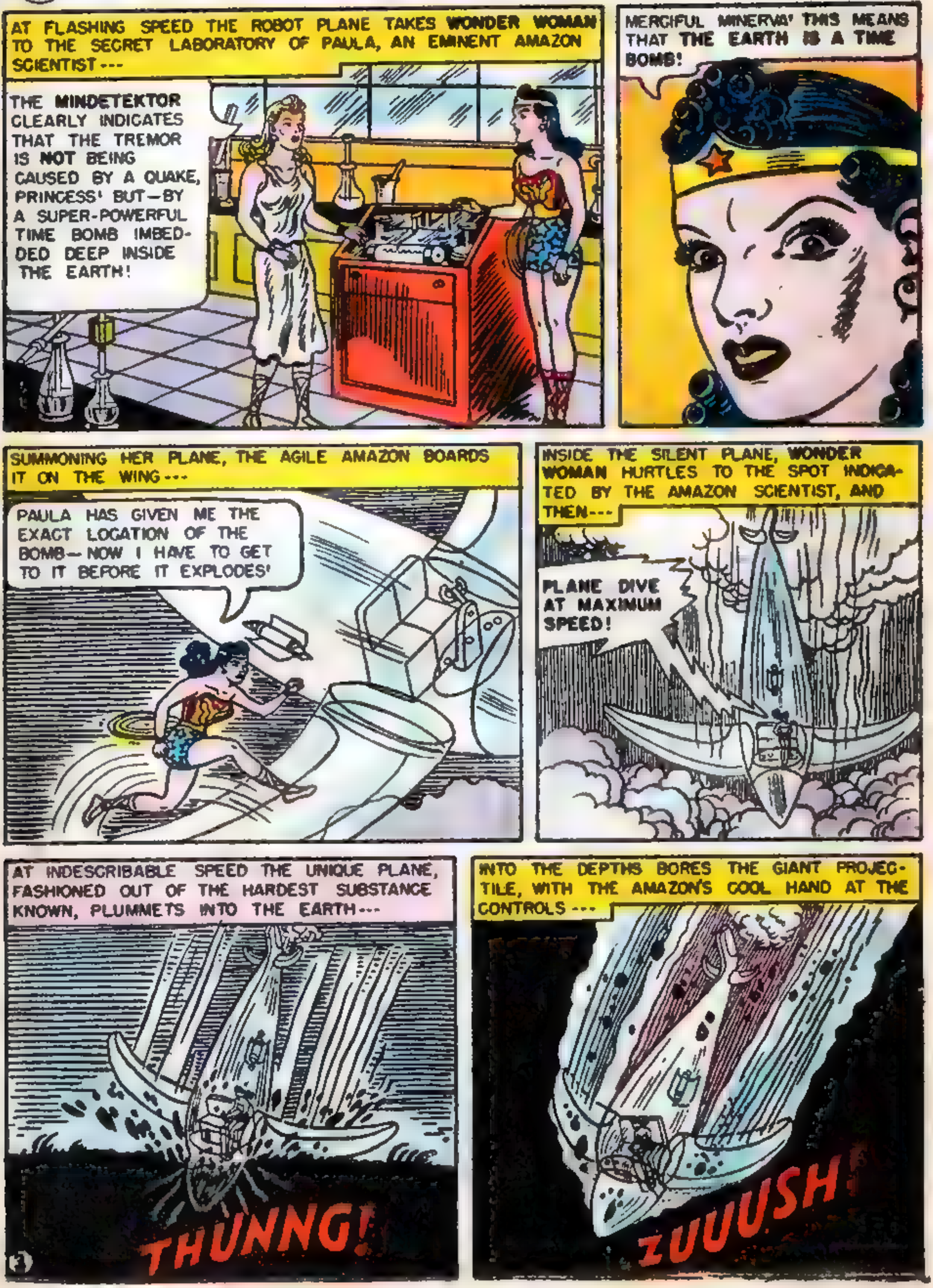

TO THE SCIENTISTS' AMAZEMENT, REPORT AFTER REPORT STREAMS IN FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD--
CAN'T TRACE TREMOR!
APPARATUS OUT OF ORDER!
UNABLE TO ANSWER!

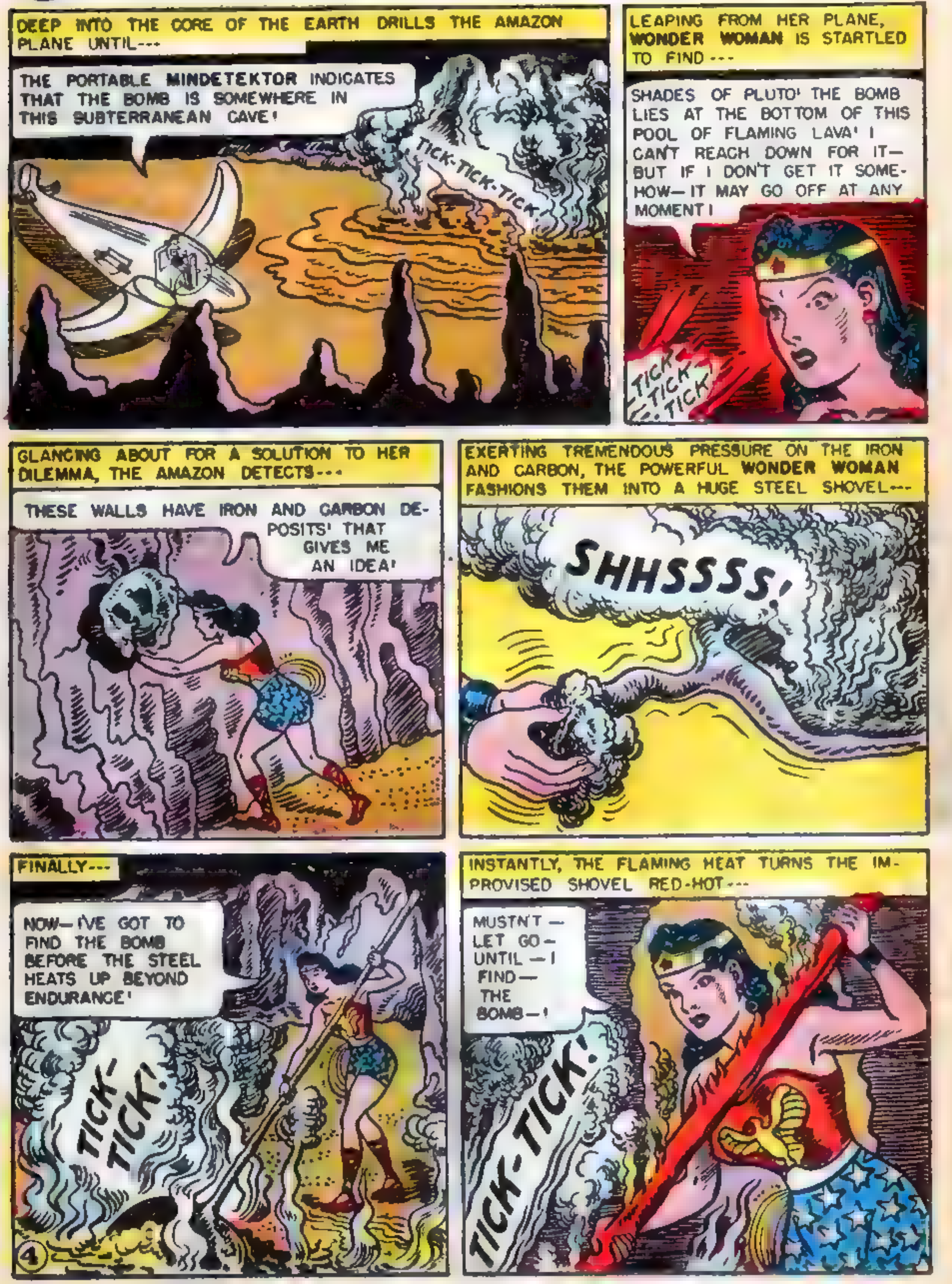

AT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, AN ANXIOUS GROUP IS INFORMED OF THE OMINOUS PHENOMENA---
THE EARTH MAY BE THREATENED-- AND WE DON'T KNOW WHERE FROM!
IT LOOKS LIKE WE'LL HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE ENEMY'S NEXT MOVE, GEN. DARNELL!
I'M NOT GOING TO WAIT!

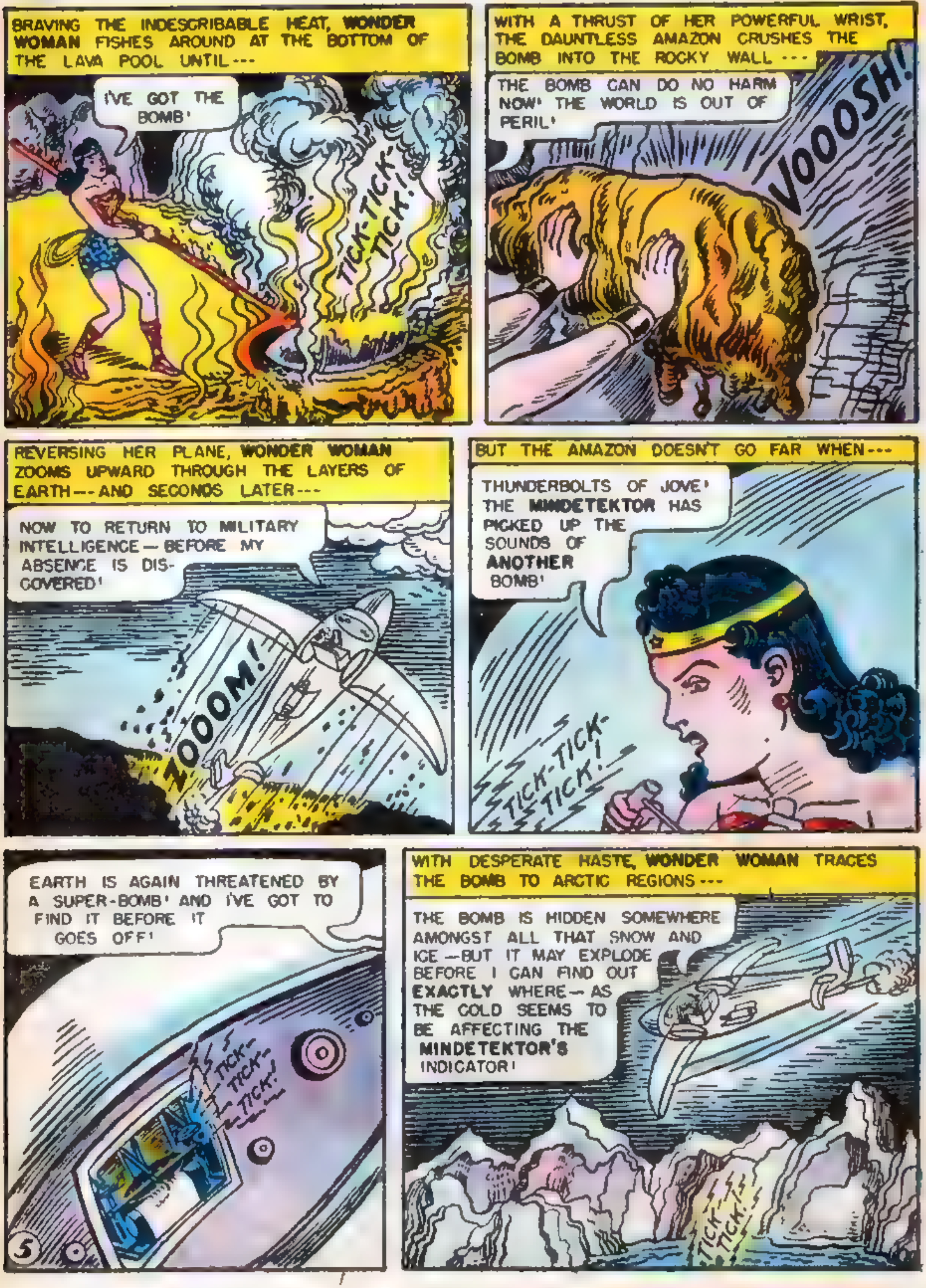

WHAT PLAN HAVE YOU IN MIND TO COMBAT THE UNKNOWN, DI?
YES! HOW ARE YOU, A MERE GIRL, GOING TO SOLVE A DILEMMA THAT IS BAFFLING THE BEST MALE MINDS IN THE WORLD?

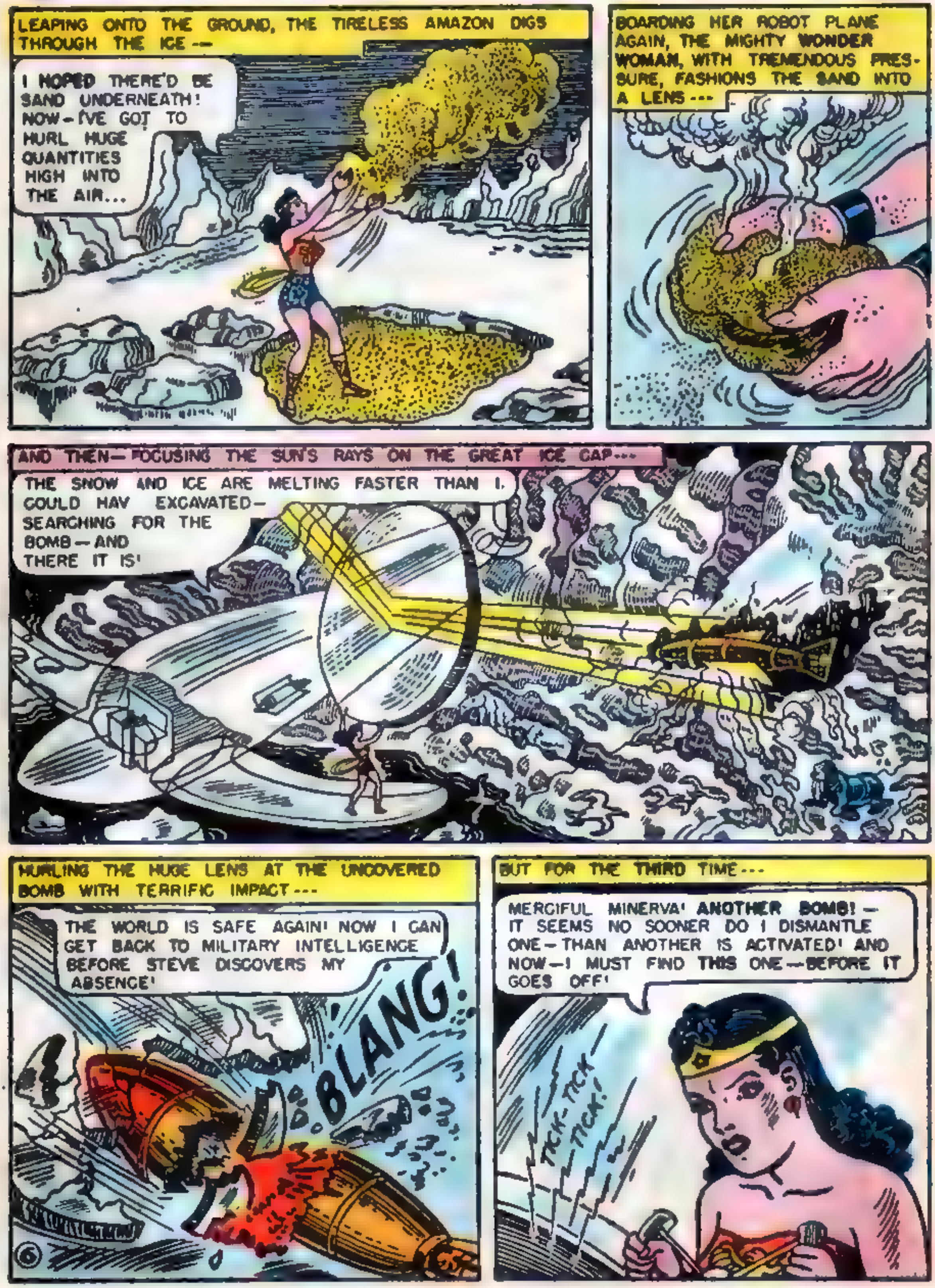

I--I DON'T KNOW Y-YET-- I'LL GO TO MY OFFICE AND TH-THINK ABOUT IT!

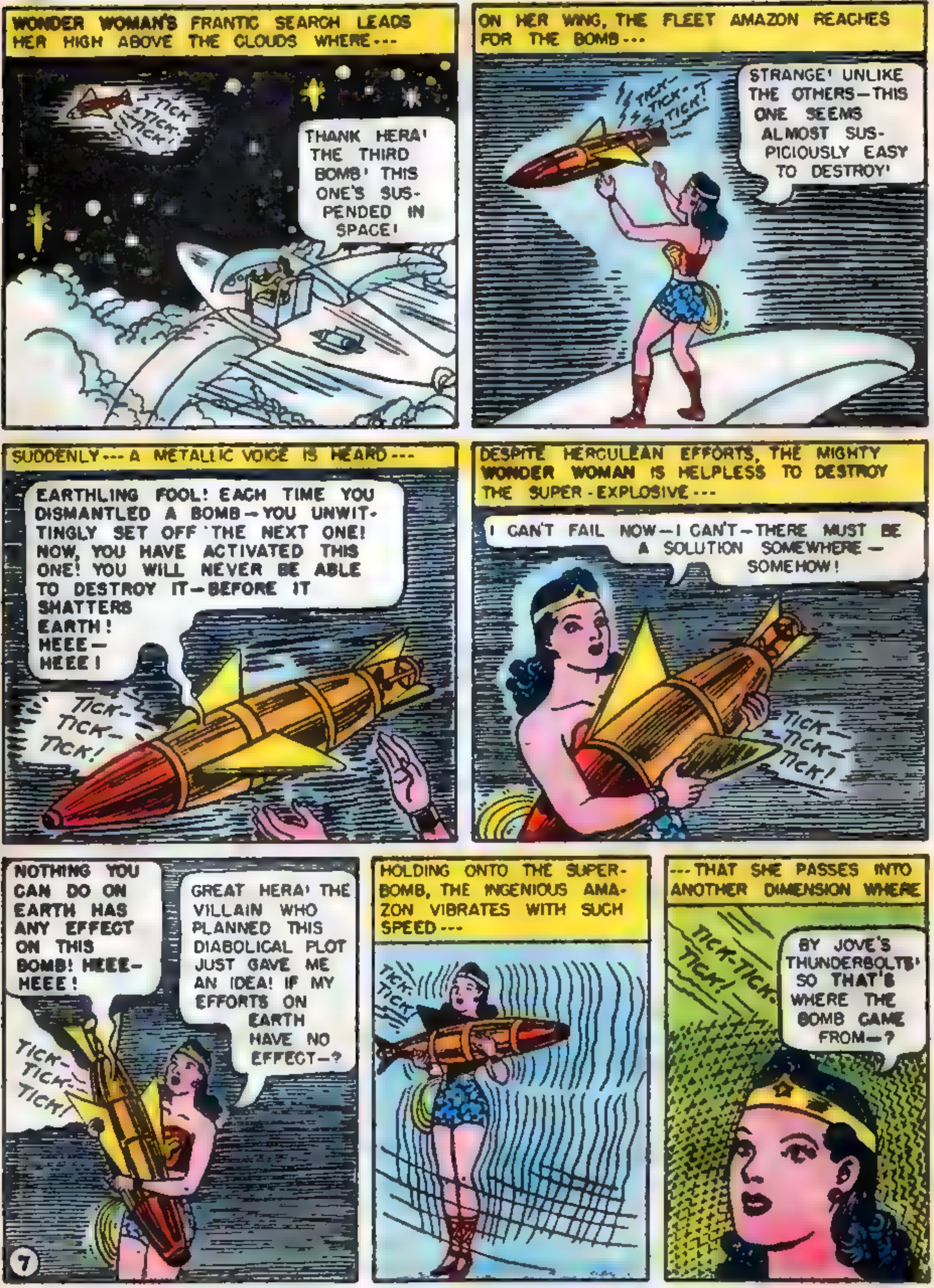

UNKNOWN TO HER COLLEAGUES, IN THE PRIVACY OF HER OFFICE, LT. DIANA PRINCE MAKES A LIGHTNING CHANGE INTO HER SECRET IDENTITY OF WONDER WOMAN!
CALLING PLANE!

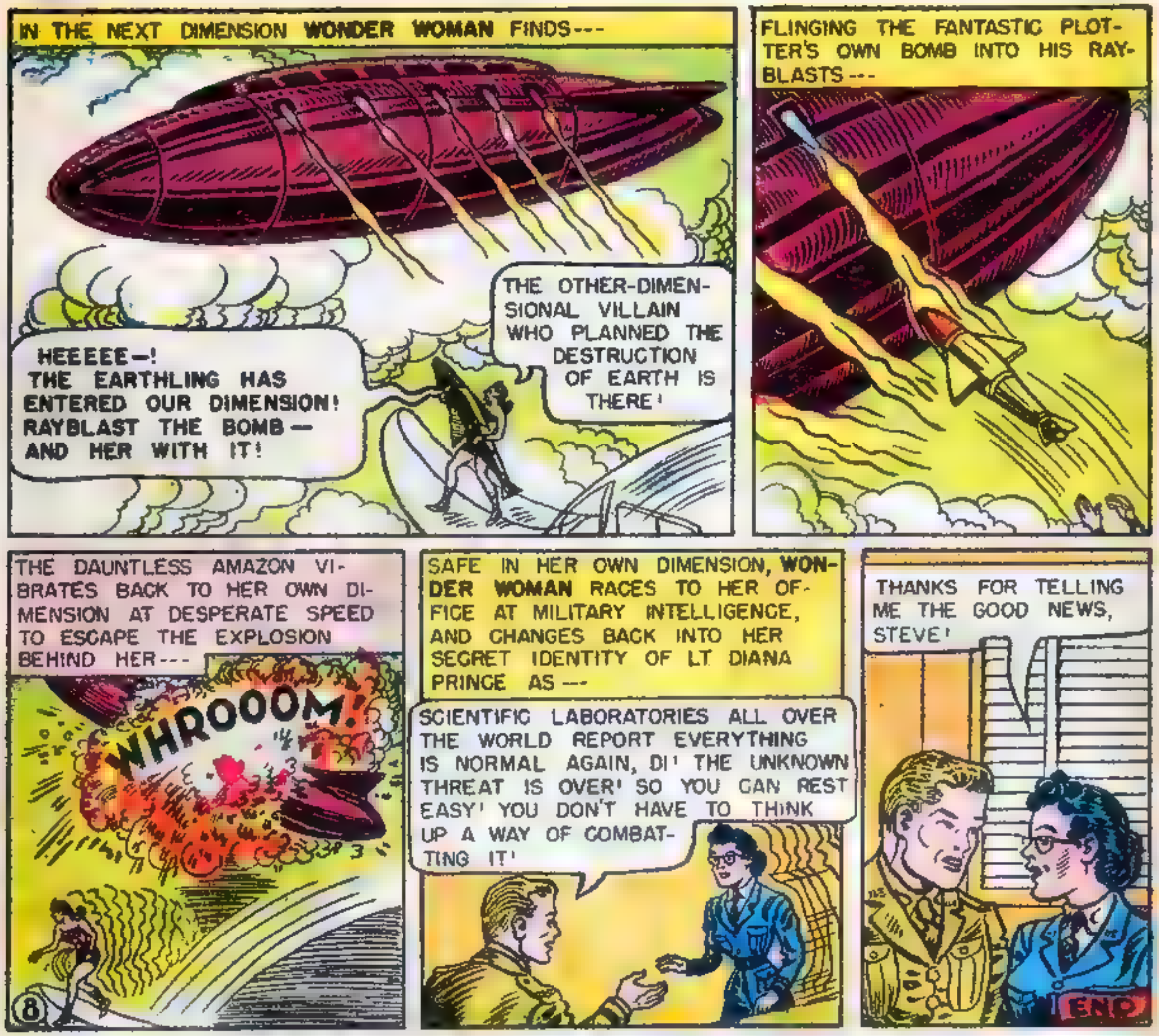

AT FLASHING SPEED THE ROBOT PLANE TAKES WONDER WOMAN TO THE SECRET LABORATORY OF PAULA, AN EMINENT AMAZON SCIENTIST ---
THE MINDETEKTOR CLEARLY INDICATES THAT THE TREMOR IS NOT BEING CAUSED BY A QUAKE, PRINCESS! BUT—BY A SUPER-POWERFUL TIME BOMB IMBEDDED DEEP INSIDE THE EARTH!
MERCIFUL MINERVA! THIS MEANS THAT THE EARTH IS A TIME BOMB!
SUMMONING HER PLANE, THE AGILE AMAZON BOARDS IT ON THE WING ---
PAULA HAS GIVEN ME THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE BOMB— NOW I HAVE TO GET TO IT BEFORE IT EXPLODES!
INSIDE THE SILENT PLANE, WONDER WOMAN HURTLES TO THE SPOT INDICATED BY THE AMAZON SCIENTIST, AND THEN---
PLANE DIVE AT MAXIMUM SPEED!
AT INDESCRIBABLE SPEED THE UNIQUE PLANE, FASHIONED OUT OF THE HARDEST SUBSTANCE KNOWN, PLUMMETS INTO THE EARTH ---
THUNNG!
INTO THE DEPTHS BORES THE GIANT PROJECTILE, WITH THE AMAZON'S COOL HAND AT THE CONTROLS ---
ZUUUSH!

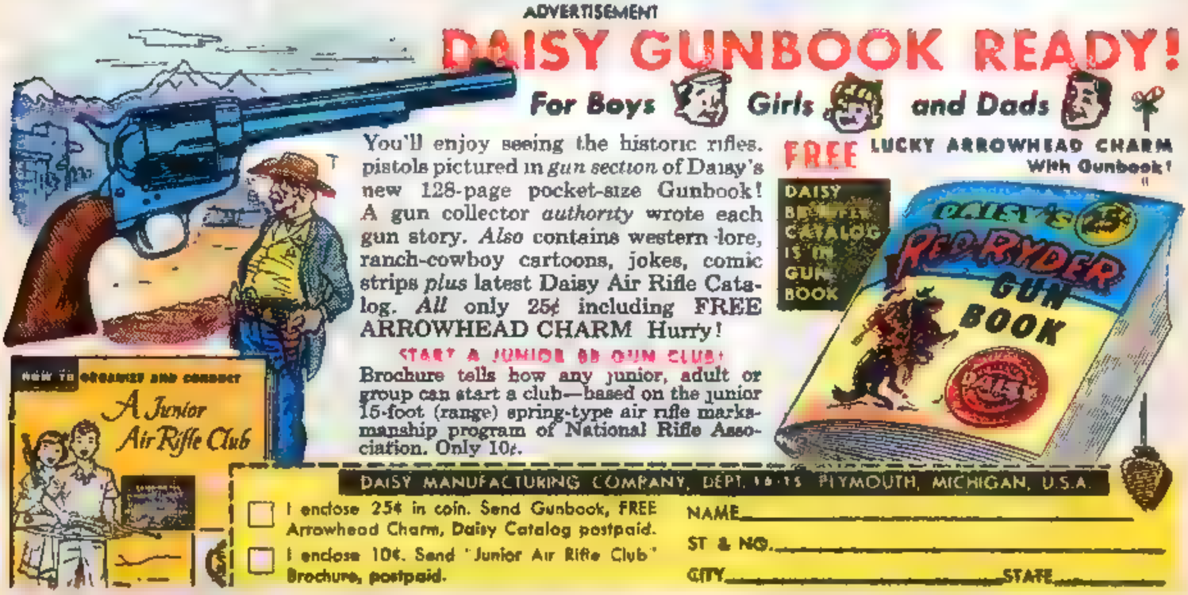

DEEP INTO THE CORE OF THE EARTH DRILLS THE AMAZON PLANE UNTIL---
THE PORTABLE MINDETEKTOR INDICATES THAT THE BOMB IS SOMEWHERE IN THIS SUBTERRANEAN CAVE!
TICK-TICK-TICK
LEAPING FROM HER PLANE, WONDER WOMAN IS STARTLED TO FIND---
SHADES OF PLUTO! THE BOMB LIES AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS POOL OF FLAMING LAVA! I CAN'T REACH DOWN FOR IT—BUT IF I DON'T GET IT SOMEHOW—IT MAY GO OFF AT ANY MOMENT!
TICK-TICK-TICK
GLANCING ABOUT FOR A SOLUTION TO HER DILEMMA, THE AMAZON DETECTS---
THESE WALLS HAVE IRON AND CARBON DEPOSITS! THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!
EXERTING TREMENDOUS PRESSURE ON THE IRON AND CARBON, THE POWERFUL WONDER WOMAN FASHIONS THEM INTO A HUGE STEEL SHOVEL---
SHHSSSS!
FINALLY---
NOW—I'VE GOT TO FIND THE BOMB BEFORE THE STEEL HEATS UP BEYOND ENDURANCE!
TICK-TICK!
INSTANTLY, THE FLAMING HEAT TURNS THE IMPROVISED SHOVEL RED-HOT---
MUSTN'T—LET GO—UNTIL—I FIND—THE BOMB—!
TICK-TICK!


BRAVING THE INDESCRIBABLE HEAT, WONDER WOMAN FISHES AROUND AT THE BOTTOM OF THE LAVA POOL UNTIL---
I'VE GOT THE BOMB!
TICK-TICK-TICK!
WITH A THRUST OF HER POWERFUL WRIST, THE DAUNTLESS AMAZON CRUSHES THE BOMB INTO THE ROCKY WALL---
THE BOMB CAN DO NO HARM NOW! THE WORLD IS OUT OF PERIL!
VOOOSH!
REVERSING HER PLANE, WONDER WOMAN ZOOMS UPWARD THROUGH THE LAYERS OF EARTH---AND SECONDS LATER---
NOW TO RETURN TO MILITARY INTELLIGENCE—BEFORE MY ABSENCE IS DISCOVERED!
ZOOOM!
BUT THE AMAZON DOESN'T GO FAR WHEN---
THUNDERBOLTS OF JOVE! THE MINDETEKTOR HAS PICKED UP THE SOUNDS OF ANOTHER BOMB!
TICK-TICK-TICK!
EARTH IS AGAIN THREATENED BY A SUPER-BOMB! AND I'VE GOT TO FIND IT BEFORE IT GOES OFF!
TICK-TICK-TICK!
WITH DESPERATE HASTE, WONDER WOMAN TRACES THE BOMB TO ARCTIC REGIONS---
THE BOMB IS HIDDEN SOMEWHERE AMONGST ALL THAT SNOW AND ICE—BUT IT MAY EXPLODE BEFORE I CAN FIND OUT EXACTLY WHERE—AS THE COLD SEEMS TO BE AFFECTING THE MINDETEKTOR'S INDICATOR!
TICK-TICK!


LEAPING ONTO THE GROUND, THE TIRELESS AMAZON DIGS THROUGH THE ICE --
I HOPED THERE'D BE SAND UNDERNEATH! NOW - I'VE GOT TO HURL HUGE QUANTITIES HIGH INTO THE AIR...
BOARDING HER ROBOT PLANE AGAIN, THE MIGHTY WONDER WOMAN, WITH TREMENDOUS PRESSURE, FASHIONS THE SAND INTO A LENS ---
AND THEN— FOCUSING THE SUN'S RAYS ON THE GREAT ICE CAP---
THE SNOW AND ICE ARE MELTING FASTER THAN I COULD HAVE EXCAVATED— SEARCHING FOR THE BOMB — AND THERE IT IS!
HURLING THE HUGE LENS AT THE UNCOVERED BOMB WITH TERRIFIC IMPACT ---
THE WORLD IS SAFE AGAIN! NOW I CAN GET BACK TO MILITARY INTELLIGENCE BEFORE STEVE DISCOVERS MY ABSENCE!
BLANG!
BUT FOR THE THIRD TIME ---
MERCIFUL MINERVA! ANOTHER BOMB! — IT SEEMS NO SOONER DO I DISMANTLE ONE — THAN ANOTHER IS ACTIVATED! AND NOW — I MUST FIND THIS ONE — BEFORE IT GOES OFF!
TICK-TICK-TICK!


WONDER WOMAN'S FRANTIC SEARCH LEADS HER HIGH ABOVE THE CLOUDS WHERE---
TICK-TICK-TICK!
THANK HERA! THE THIRD BOMB! THIS ONE'S SUSPENDED IN SPACE!
ON HER WING, THE FLEET AMAZON REACHES FOR THE BOMB---
TICK-TICK-TICK!
STRANGE! UNLIKE THE OTHERS—THIS ONE SEEMS ALMOST SUSPICIOUSLY EASY TO DESTROY!
SUDDENLY---A METALLIC VOICE IS HEARD---
EARTHLING FOOL! EACH TIME YOU DISMANTLED A BOMB—YOU UNWITTINGLY SET OFF THE NEXT ONE! NOW, YOU HAVE ACTIVATED THIS ONE! YOU WILL NEVER BE ABLE TO DESTROY IT—BEFORE IT SHATTERS EARTH! HEEE—HEEE!
TICK-TICK-TICK!
DESPITE HERCULEAN EFFORTS, THE MIGHTY WONDER WOMAN IS HELPLESS TO DESTROY THE SUPER-EXPLOSIVE---
I CAN'T FAIL NOW—I CAN'T—THERE MUST BE A SOLUTION SOMEWHERE—SOMEHOW!
TICK-TICK-TICK!
NOTHING YOU CAN DO ON EARTH HAS ANY EFFECT ON THIS BOMB! HEEE-HEEE!
GREAT HERA! THE VILLAIN WHO PLANNED THIS DIABOLICAL PLOT JUST GAVE ME AN IDEA! IF MY EFFORTS ON EARTH HAVE NO EFFECT—?
TICK-TICK-TICK!
7
HOLDING ONTO THE SUPER-BOMB, THE INGENIOUS AMAZON VIBRATES WITH SUCH SPEED---
TICK-TICK
---THAT SHE PASSES INTO ANOTHER DIMENSION WHERE
TICK-TICK-TICK!
BY JOVE'S THUNDERBOLTS! SO THAT'S WHERE THE BOMB CAME FROM—?


IN THE NEXT DIMENSION WONDER WOMAN FINDS---
THE OTHER-DIMENSIONAL VILLAIN WHO PLANNED THE DESTRUCTION OF EARTH IS THERE!
HEEEEE-! THE EARTHLING HAS ENTERED OUR DIMENSION! RAYBLAST THE BOMB— AND HER WITH IT!
FLINGING THE FANTASTIC PLOTTER'S OWN BOMB INTO HIS RAY-BLASTS---
THE DAUNTLESS AMAZON VIBRATES BACK TO HER OWN DIMENSION AT DESPERATE SPEED TO ESCAPE THE EXPLOSION BEHIND HER---
WHROOOM!
8
SAFE IN HER OWN DIMENSION, WONDER WOMAN RACES TO HER OFFICE AT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, AND CHANGES BACK INTO HER SECRET IDENTITY OF LT. DIANA PRINCE AS ---
SCIENTIFIC LABORATORIES ALL OVER THE WORLD REPORT EVERYTHING IS NORMAL AGAIN, DI! THE UNKNOWN THREAT IS OVER! SO YOU CAN REST EASY! YOU DON'T HAVE TO THINK UP A WAY OF COMBATTING IT!
THANKS FOR TELLING ME THE GOOD NEWS, STEVE!
END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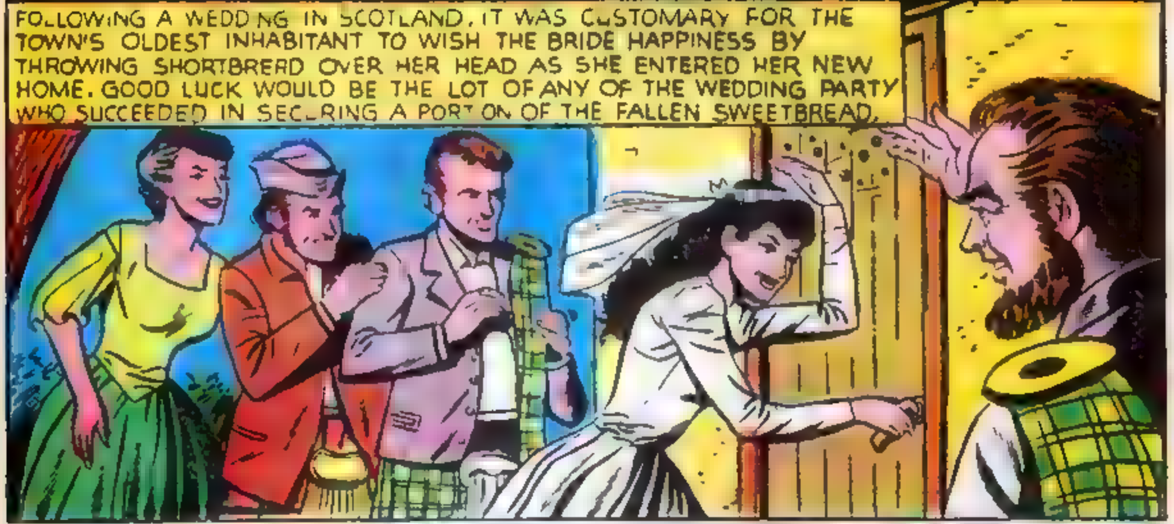
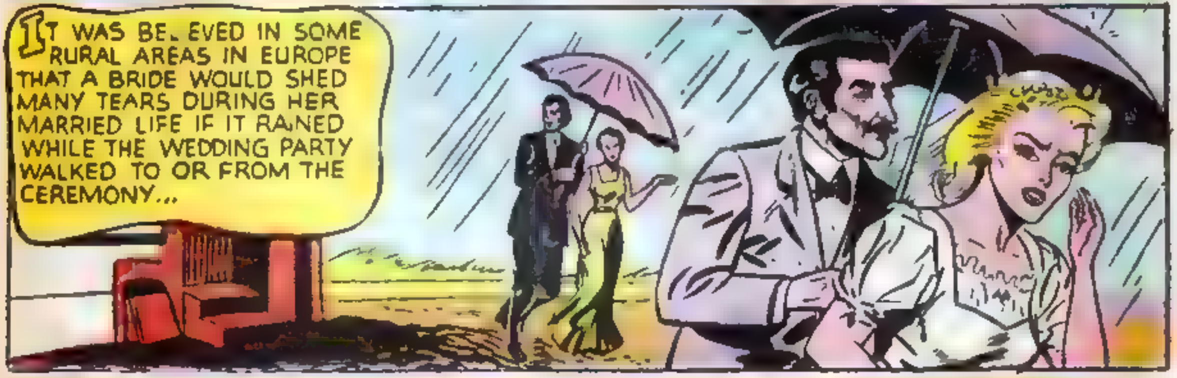
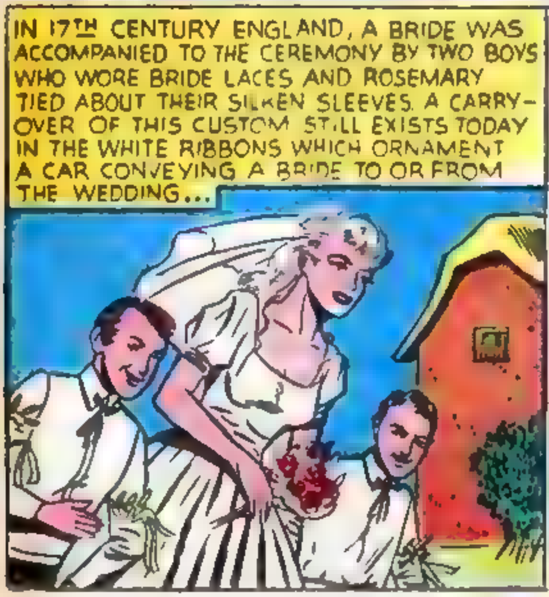
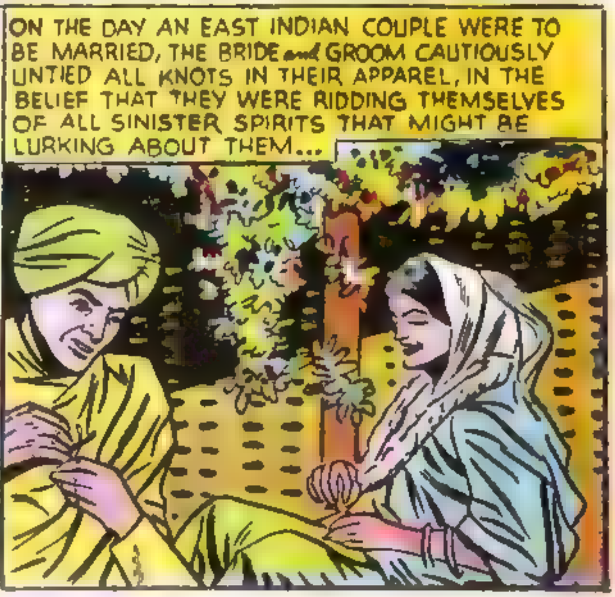
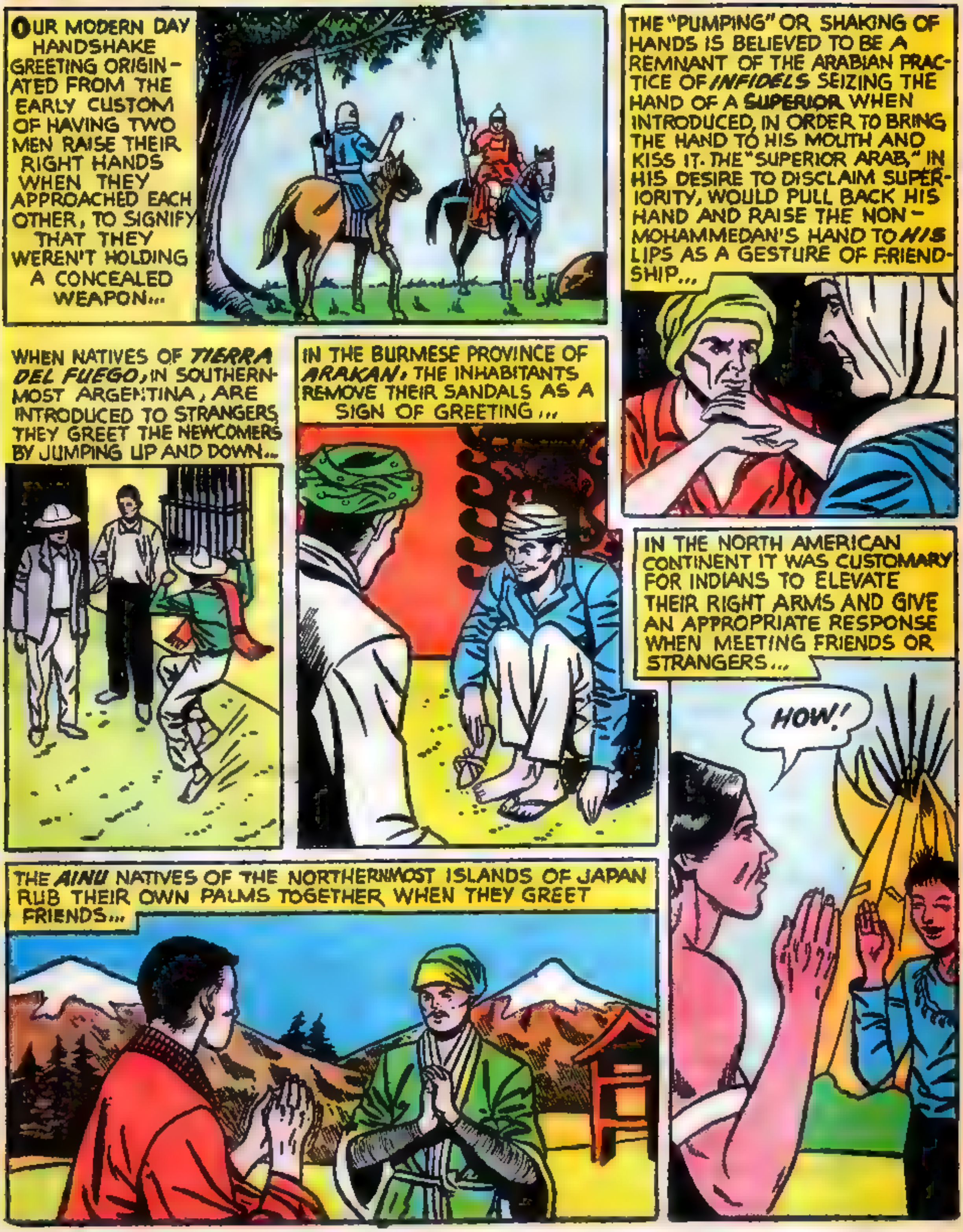

FOLLOWING A WEDDING IN SCOTLAND, IT WAS CUSTOMARY FOR THE TOWN'S OLDEST INHABITANT TO WISH THE BRIDE HAPPINESS BY THROWING SHORTBREAD OVER HER HEAD AS SHE ENTERED HER NEW HOME. GOOD LUCK WOULD BE THE LOT OF ANY OF THE WEDDING PARTY WHO SUCCEEDED IN SECURING A PORTION OF THE FALLEN SWEETBREAD.


IT WAS BELIEVED IN SOME RURAL AREAS IN EUROPE THAT A BRIDE WOULD SHED MANY TEARS DURING HER MARRIED LIFE IF IT RAINED WHILE THE WEDDING PARTY WALKED TO OR FROM THE CEREMONY...


IN 17TH CENTURY ENGLAND, A BRIDE WAS ACCOMPANIED TO THE CEREMONY BY TWO BOYS WHO WORE BRIDE LACES AND ROSEMARY TIED ABOUT THEIR SILKEN SLEEVES. A CARRY-OVER OF THIS CUSTOM STILL EXISTS TODAY IN THE WHITE RIBBONS WHICH ORNAMENT A CAR CONVEYING A BRIDE TO OR FROM THE WEDDING...


ON THE DAY AN EAST INDIAN COUPLE WERE TO BE MARRIED, THE BRIDE and GROOM CAUTIOUSLY UNTIED ALL KNOTS IN THEIR APPAREL, IN THE BELIEF THAT THEY WERE RIDDING THEMSELVES OF ALL SINISTER SPIRITS THAT MIGHT BE LURKING ABOUT THEM...

World-Wide GREETING Customs!



OUR MODERN DAY HANDSHAKE GREETING ORIGINATED FROM THE EARLY CUSTOM OF HAVING TWO MEN RAISE THEIR RIGHT HANDS WHEN THEY APPROACHED EACH OTHER, TO SIGNIFY THAT THEY WEREN'T HOLDING A CONCEALED WEAPON...

THE "PUMPING" OR SHAKING OF HANDS IS BELIEVED TO BE A REMNANT OF THE ARABIAN PRACTICE OF *INFIDELS* SEIZING THE HAND OF A **SUPERIOR** WHEN INTRODUCED, IN ORDER TO BRING THE HAND TO HIS MOUTH AND KISS IT. THE "SUPERIOR ARAB," IN HIS DESIRE TO DISCLAIM SUPERIORITY, WOULD PULL BACK HIS HAND AND RAISE THE NON-MOHAMMEDAN'S HAND TO *HIS* LIPS AS A GESTURE OF FRIENDSHIP...

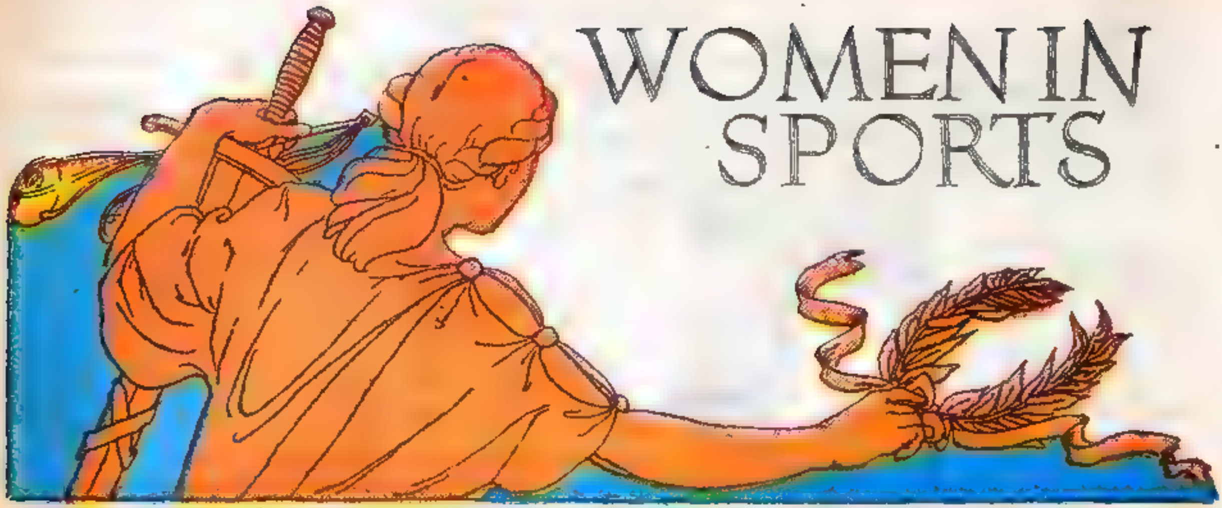
WHEN NATIVES OF *TIERRA DEL FUEGO*, IN SOUTHERNMOST ARGENTINA, ARE INTRODUCED TO STRANGERS THEY GREET THE NEWCOMERS BY JUMPING UP AND DOWN...

IN THE BURMESE PROVINCE OF *ARAKAN*, THE INHABITANTS REMOVE THEIR SANDALS AS A SIGN OF GREETING...

IN THE NORTH AMERICAN CONTINENT IT WAS CUSTOMARY FOR INDIANS TO ELEVATE THEIR RIGHT ARMS AND GIVE AN APPROPRIATE RESPONSE WHEN MEETING FRIENDS OR STRANGERS...

THE *AINU* NATIVES OF THE NORTHERNMOST ISLANDS OF JAPAN RUB THEIR OWN PALMS TOGETHER WHEN THEY GREET FRIENDS...

WOMEN IN SPORTS



NOT long ago, on the athletic fields of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, two teams of eleven members on each side, played a fast-moving game of hockey. There were several very strange aspects of this game.

First of all, although the match was a championship tourney, very few spectators were on hand to root for one side or the other.

Secondly, at the end of the game, neither side was adjudged the winner.

Thirdly, the members of the hard-fighting teams were not men, but girls and women. They were of all ages and they came from all walks of life. Some were housewives, others telephone operators, still others clerks in the five-and-ten.

The occasion marked the annual United States Field Hockey Tournament. The players had already passed earlier elimination matches, and were judged to be the very best in the country.

The reason neither side of the team won the tournament was because this game was held to select individual players to be on the team that would represent the United States All-America team in international matches.

The absence of crowds at the tournament games will be forgotten when the U.S. Touring Team plays its hockey matches against the best teams of Europe. For in Europe, unlike this country, hockey for women is an old story, and crowds upwards of 10,000 jam the stands to see the games.

What makes field hockey such an interesting spectator sport? Mostly because it is full of action every minute of play. The chief object, of course, is to hit the ball past the goal posts. The playing field measures about 100 yards by 50, and the players are allowed to play in any section of the field.

This means that in the two 30-minute periods, in which there are no time-outs or substitutes permitted, the players are required to do a great deal of running.

The rules are rugged—more so in Great Britain than in the United States. In this country, for instance, if a player is injured, a substitution is permitted. But in England, if a woman must leave the game, the rest of the team must continue without a replacement.

Field hockey is not entirely new to these shores, although very few people have actually witnessed the game being played by women.

The first women hockey players to take the field took place in Europe back in 1887. Then, in 1901, a Constance M. K. Applebee, of the British College of Physical Education, came to America for the purpose of studying at the Harvard summer school.

Miss Applebee, at the suggestion of some of her fellow students, put on a demonstration of the strange British sport. And although the players were unfamiliar with the clumsy sticks, they grew fond of the game immediately. Demonstrations followed at Vassar, and before long, it became a regular fall sport at many of the Eastern women's colleges.

A few years later, the center of women's field hockey in America moved to Philadelphia. Oddly enough, to this day, most of the women who annually make the U.S. team come from the Philadelphia area.

A Philadelphian, in fact, was responsible for initiating the custom of touring outside the country. Back in 1920, Charlotte Cheston, an enthusiast of the game, applied to the Olympic Games Committee for permission to enter a ladies team in the games to be held in Antwerp.

The committee was aghast at the suggestion. "Not *women's* hockey!" was the shocked line that was included in the rejection. Nevertheless, the committee forwarded Miss Cheston's letter to the English Hockey Association.

The British club was delighted by the interest displayed by the American girls. They invited their American cousins to a tour of England that fall.

The American women were delighted at the professional skill of the English players.

"This is the way hockey should be played!" was the consensus of opinion. And they vowed that someday they would play the game just as well.

The Americans have not yet caught up, but within recent years they have shown definite signs of coming close.

In the international games in 1953, Britain, as expected, was first. Second and third places were won by South Africa and Australia, respectively.

Other countries with excellent women field hockey teams are Denmark, Sweden, Germany, Wales, and New Zealand. Women also play field hockey in most other West European countries.

Every sport has its outstanding personalities, and women's field hockey is no exception. America's first "great" was Anne Townsend, of Philadelphia, who is regarded as probably the best player ever turned out in this country.

Miss Townsend was the captain of the All-America Team from 1923 through 1936. She was followed by another great, Frances Elliott, who for years reigned as this country's top goalie.

After Miss Elliott came Barbara Strebeigh, who played left halfback, and Betty Richey.

In a game that would tire out a college football player, the women spare neither themselves nor their opponents. But, as in every other activity in which women participate, they introduce an element into field hockey that is distinctively feminine.

An example of this occurred during the 1953 matches in England. At the height of one game, a Spanish player accidentally charged into a Dutch opponent.

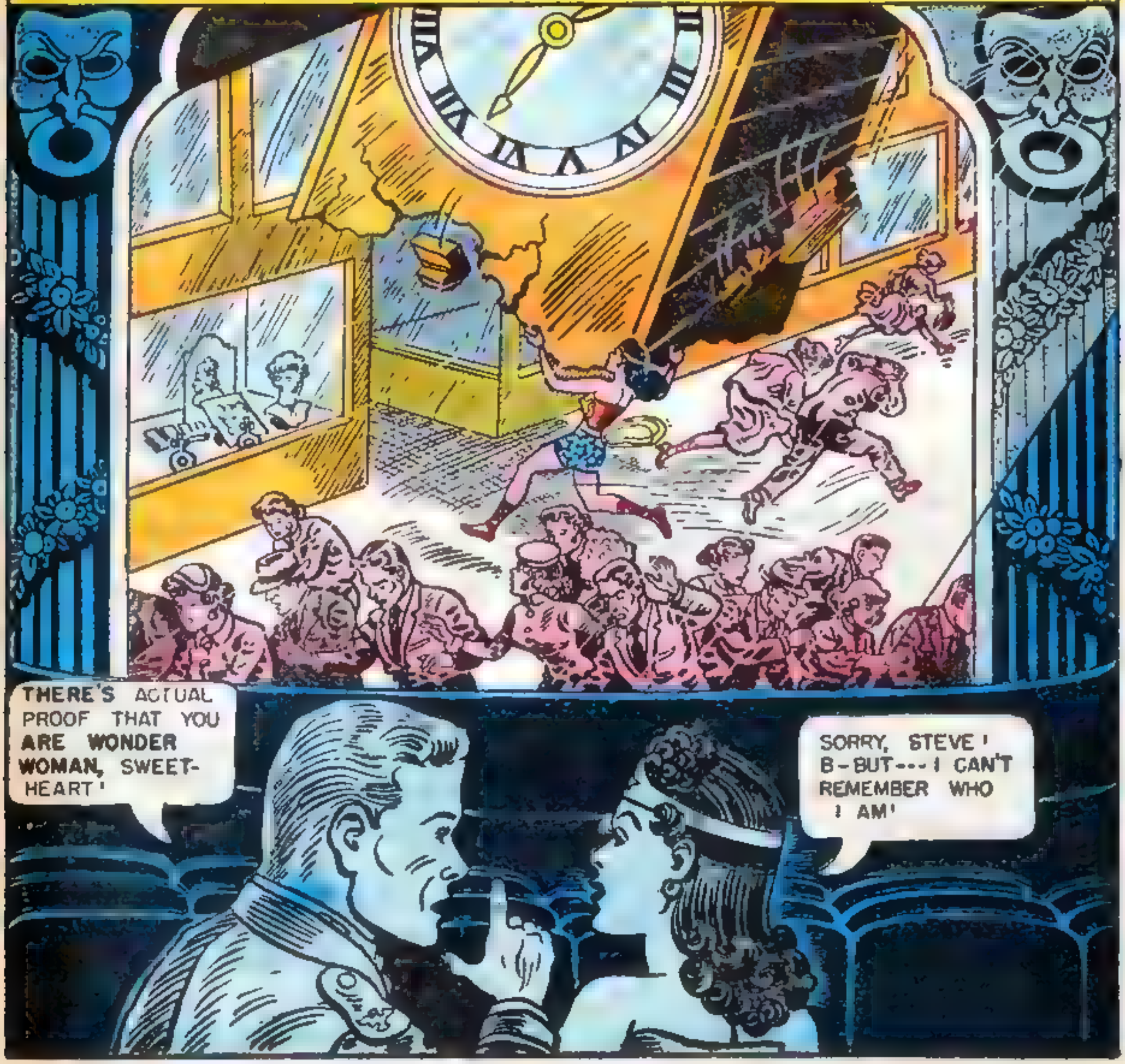
The Dutch player went down like a log. The Spanish woman thereupon picked up the Dutch player, kissed her on both cheeks, and both players took off after the small, leather-covered ball.

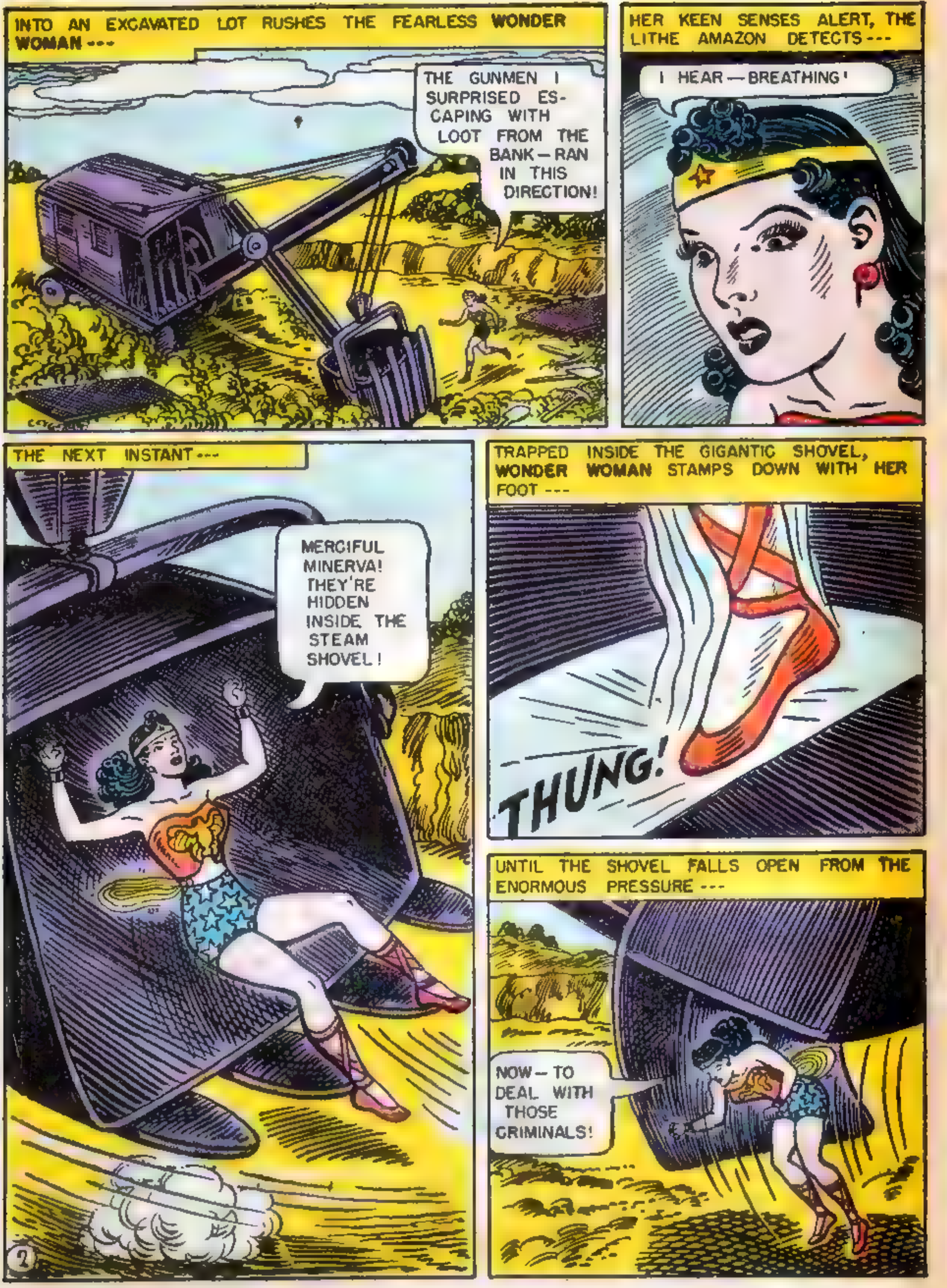
Wonder Woman

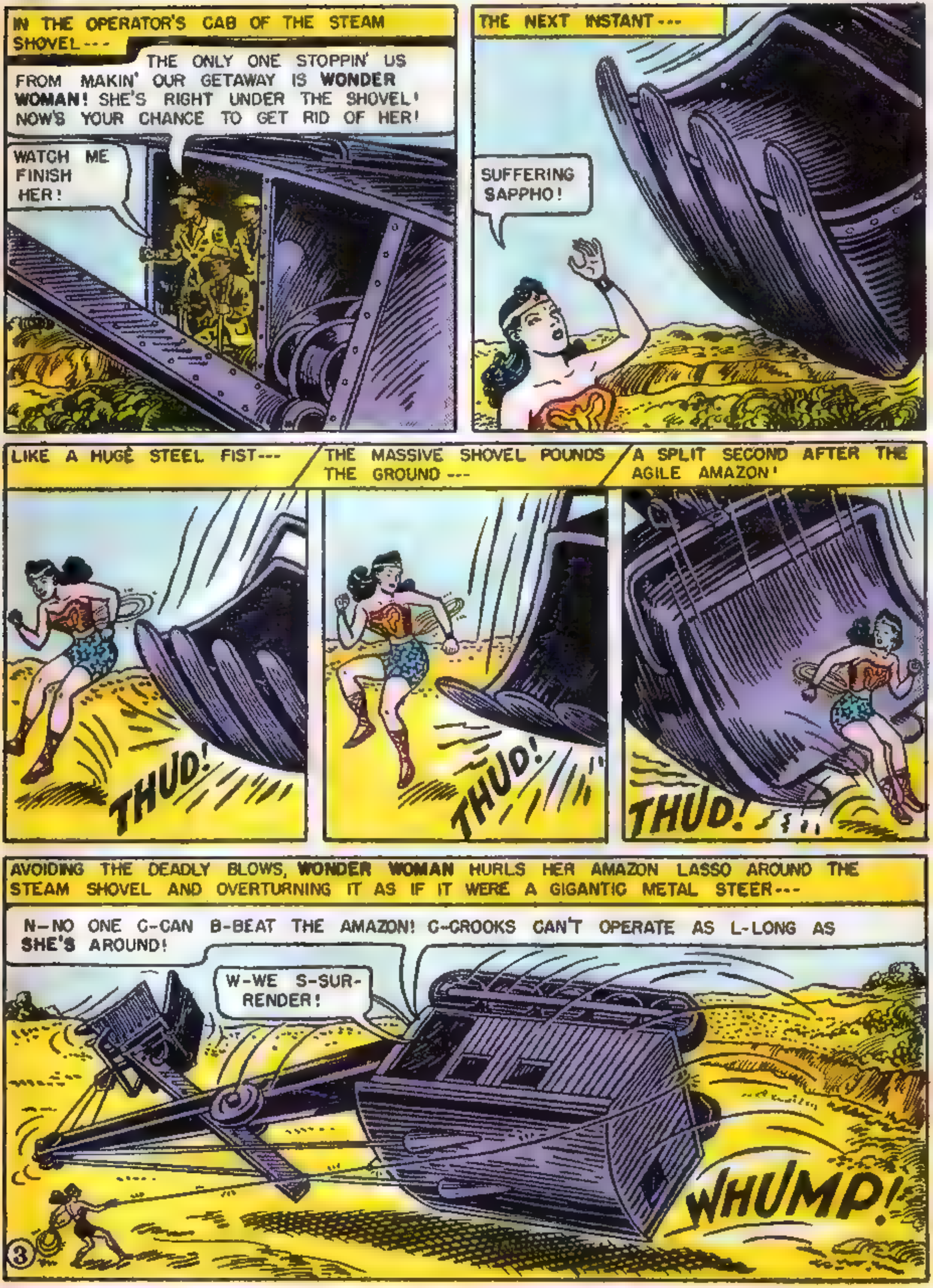
By CHARLES MOULTON

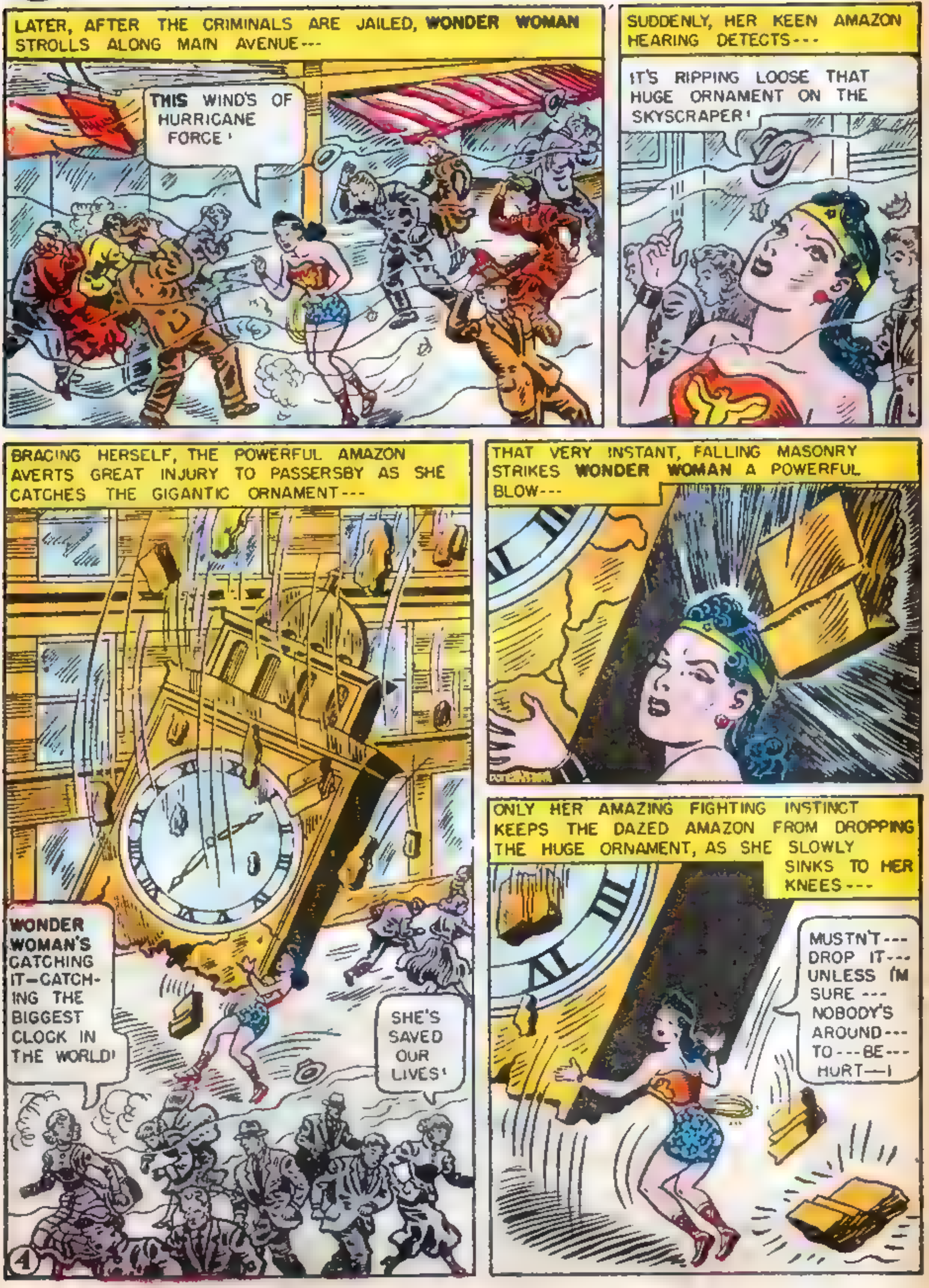
DID YOU EVER STOP TO IMAGINE WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF **WONDER WOMAN**—BEAUTIFUL AS APHRODITE, WISE AS ATHENA, SWIFTER THAN MERCURY, AND STRONGER THAN HERCULES—WOULD LOSE HER MEMORY? WOULD SHE BE ABLE TO EXERCISE HER MIGHTY POWERS? OR WOULD THE WORLD LOSE ONE OF ITS GREATEST CRIME-FIGHTERS? FOR THE BREATHLESS ANSWER, READ ------

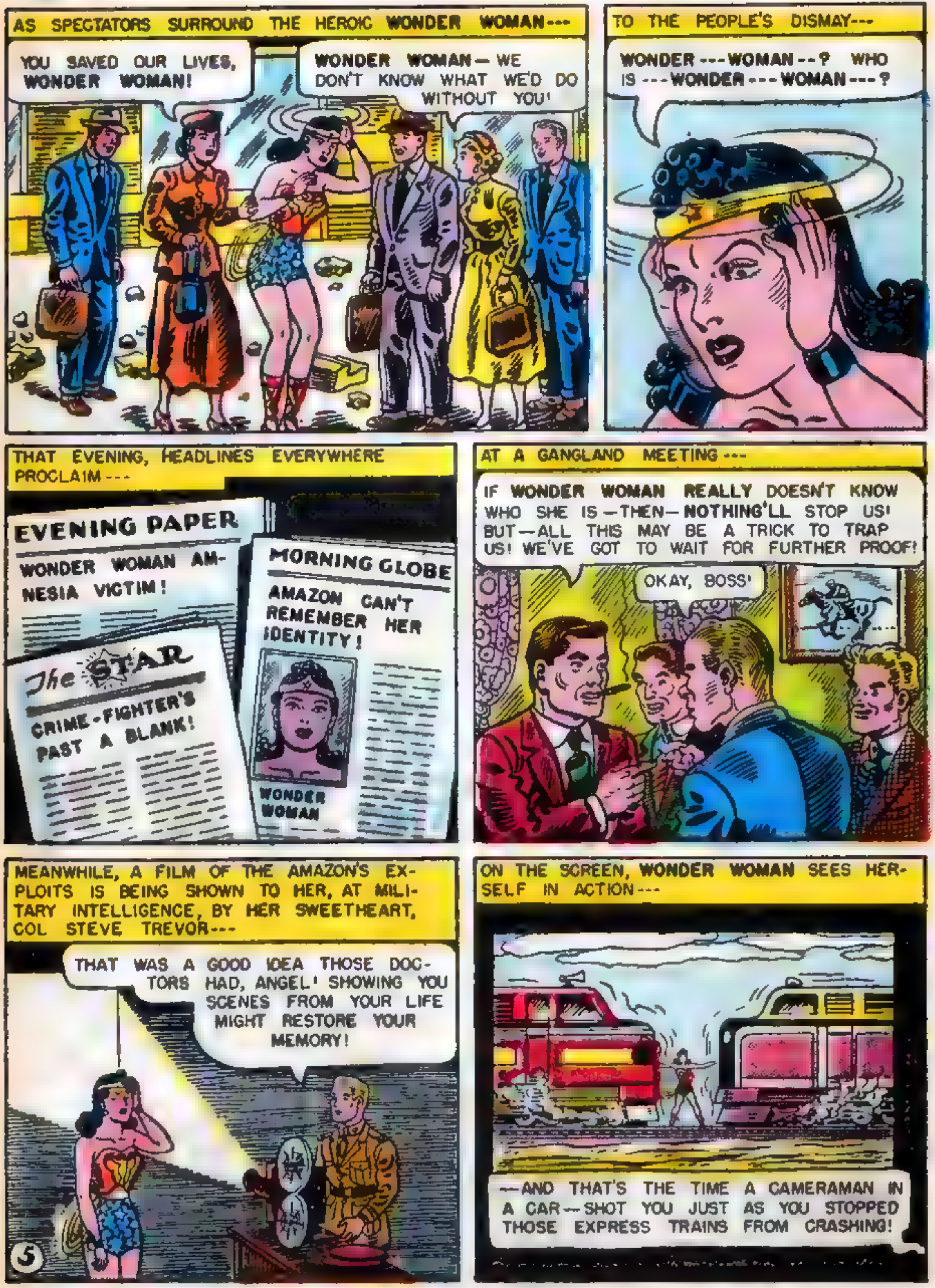
"The VANISHING AMAZON!"

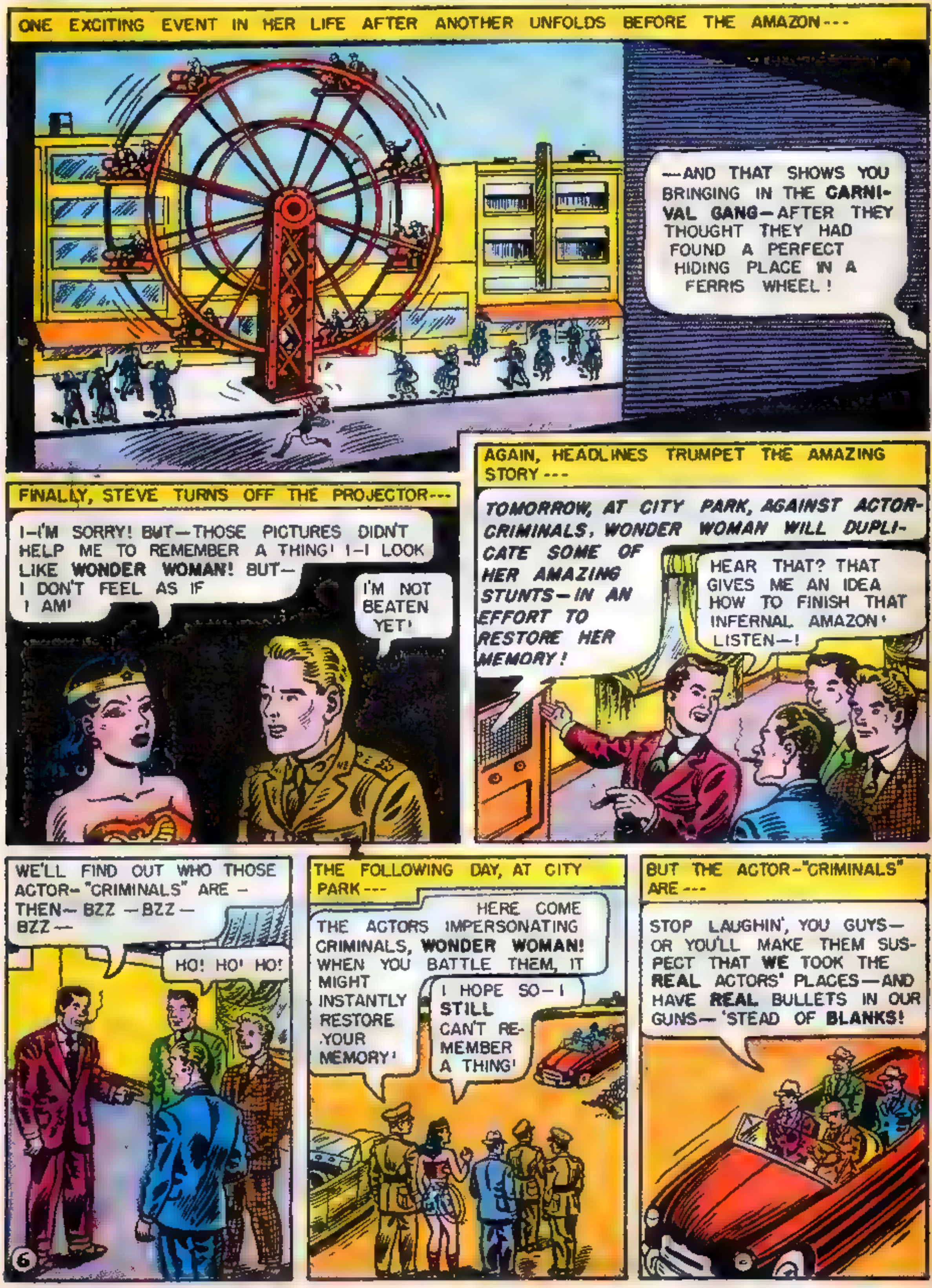

THERE'S ACTUAL PROOF THAT YOU **ARE WONDER WOMAN,** SWEETHEART!
SORRY, STEVE! B-BUT--- I CAN'T REMEMBER WHO I AM!


INTO AN EXCAVATED LOT RUSHES THE FEARLESS WONDER WOMAN ---
THE GUNMEN I SURPRISED ESCAPING WITH LOOT FROM THE BANK — RAN IN THIS DIRECTION!
HER KEEN SENSES ALERT, THE LITHE AMAZON DETECTS ---
I HEAR — BREATHING!
THE NEXT INSTANT ---
MERCIFUL MINERVA! THEY'RE HIDDEN INSIDE THE STEAM SHOVEL!
2
TRAPPED INSIDE THE GIGANTIC SHOVEL, WONDER WOMAN STAMPS DOWN WITH HER FOOT ---
THUNG!
UNTIL THE SHOVEL FALLS OPEN FROM THE ENORMOUS PRESSURE ---
NOW — TO DEAL WITH THOSE CRIMINALS!


IN THE OPERATOR'S CAB OF THE STEAM SHOVEL---
THE ONLY ONE STOPPIN' US FROM MAKIN' OUR GETAWAY IS **WONDER WOMAN!** SHE'S RIGHT UNDER THE SHOVEL! NOW'S YOUR CHANCE TO GET RID OF HER!
WATCH ME FINISH HER!
THE NEXT INSTANT---
SUFFERING SAPPHO!
LIKE A HUGE STEEL FIST---
THUD!
THE MASSIVE SHOVEL POUNDS THE GROUND---
THUD!
A SPLIT SECOND AFTER THE AGILE AMAZON!
THUD!
AVOIDING THE DEADLY BLOWS, **WONDER WOMAN** HURLS HER AMAZON LASSO AROUND THE STEAM SHOVEL AND OVERTURNING IT AS IF IT WERE A GIGANTIC METAL STEER---
N-NO ONE C-CAN B-BEAT THE AMAZON! C-CROOKS CAN'T OPERATE AS L-LONG AS **SHE'S** AROUND!
W-WE S-SURRENDER!
WHUMP!


LATER, AFTER THE CRIMINALS ARE JAILED, WONDER WOMAN STROLLS ALONG MAIN AVENUE---
THIS WIND'S OF HURRICANE FORCE!
SUDDENLY, HER KEEN AMAZON HEARING DETECTS---
IT'S RIPPING LOOSE THAT HUGE ORNAMENT ON THE SKYSCRAPER!
BRACING HERSELF, THE POWERFUL AMAZON AVERTS GREAT INJURY TO PASSERSBY AS SHE CATCHES THE GIGANTIC ORNAMENT---
WONDER WOMAN'S CATCHING IT—CATCHING THE BIGGEST CLOCK IN THE WORLD!
SHE'S SAVED OUR LIVES!
4
THAT VERY INSTANT, FALLING MASONRY STRIKES WONDER WOMAN A POWERFUL BLOW---
ONLY HER AMAZING FIGHTING INSTINCT KEEPS THE DAZED AMAZON FROM DROPPING THE HUGE ORNAMENT, AS SHE SLOWLY SINKS TO HER KNEES---
MUSTN'T--- DROP IT--- UNLESS I'M SURE --- NOBODY'S AROUND--- TO---BE--- HURT---!


AS SPECTATORS SURROUND THE HEROIC WONDER WOMAN---
YOU SAVED OUR LIVES, WONDER WOMAN!
WONDER WOMAN— WE DON'T KNOW WHAT WE'D DO WITHOUT YOU!
TO THE PEOPLE'S DISMAY---
WONDER---WOMAN--? WHO IS---WONDER---WOMAN---?
THAT EVENING, HEADLINES EVERYWHERE PROCLAIM---
EVENING PAPER
WONDER WOMAN AMNESIA VICTIM!
MORNING GLOBE
AMAZON CAN'T REMEMBER HER IDENTITY!
WONDER WOMAN
The STAR
CRIME-FIGHTER'S PAST A BLANK!
AT A GANGLAND MEETING---
IF WONDER WOMAN REALLY DOESN'T KNOW WHO SHE IS—THEN—NOTHING'LL STOP US! BUT—ALL THIS MAY BE A TRICK TO TRAP US! WE'VE GOT TO WAIT FOR FURTHER PROOF!
OKAY, BOSS!
MEANWHILE, A FILM OF THE AMAZON'S EXPLOITS IS BEING SHOWN TO HER, AT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, BY HER SWEETHEART, COL STEVE TREVOR---
THAT WAS A GOOD IDEA THOSE DOCTORS HAD, ANGEL! SHOWING YOU SCENES FROM YOUR LIFE MIGHT RESTORE YOUR MEMORY!
5
ON THE SCREEN, WONDER WOMAN SEES HERSELF IN ACTION---
—AND THAT'S THE TIME A CAMERAMAN IN A CAR—SHOT YOU JUST AS YOU STOPPED THOSE EXPRESS TRAINS FROM CRASHING!


ONE EXCITING EVENT IN HER LIFE AFTER ANOTHER UNFOLDS BEFORE THE AMAZON---
—AND THAT SHOWS YOU BRINGING IN THE **CARNIVAL GANG**—AFTER THEY THOUGHT THEY HAD FOUND A PERFECT HIDING PLACE IN A FERRIS WHEEL!
FINALLY, STEVE TURNS OFF THE PROJECTOR---
I—I'M SORRY! BUT—THOSE PICTURES DIDN'T HELP ME TO REMEMBER A THING! I—I LOOK LIKE **WONDER WOMAN!** BUT—I DON'T FEEL AS IF I AM!
I'M NOT BEATEN YET!
AGAIN, HEADLINES TRUMPET THE AMAZING STORY---
TOMORROW, AT CITY PARK, AGAINST ACTOR-CRIMINALS, WONDER WOMAN WILL DUPLICATE SOME OF HER AMAZING STUNTS—IN AN EFFORT TO RESTORE HER MEMORY!
HEAR THAT? THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA HOW TO FINISH THAT INFERNAL AMAZON! LISTEN—!
WE'LL FIND OUT WHO THOSE ACTOR-"CRIMINALS" ARE—THEN—BZZ—BZZ—BZZ—
HO! HO! HO!
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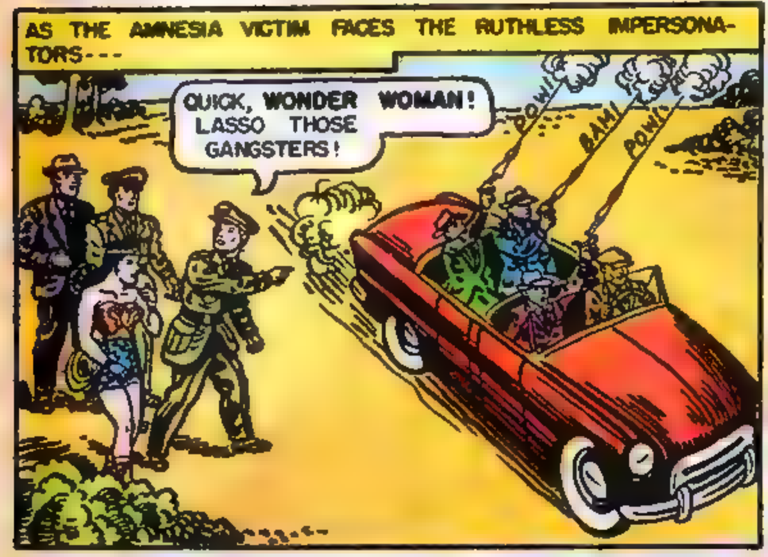
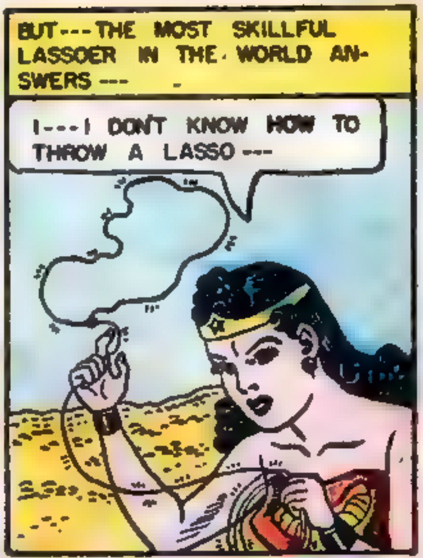
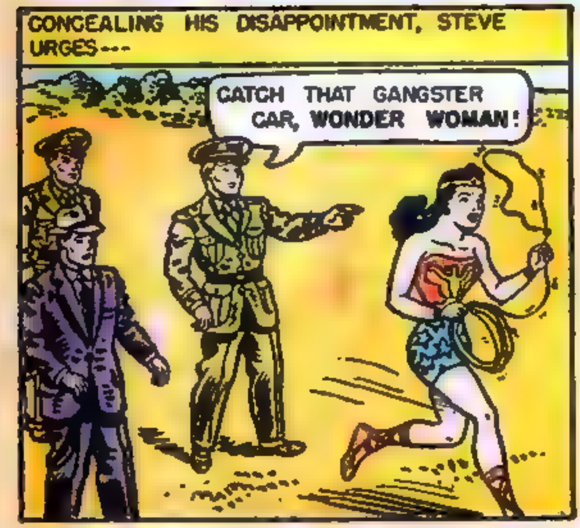
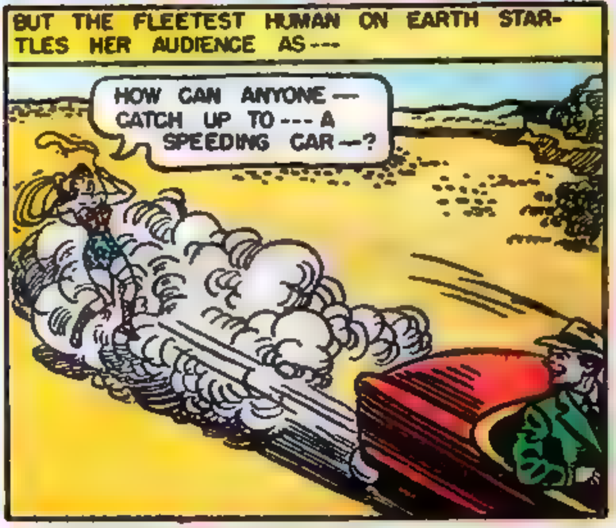
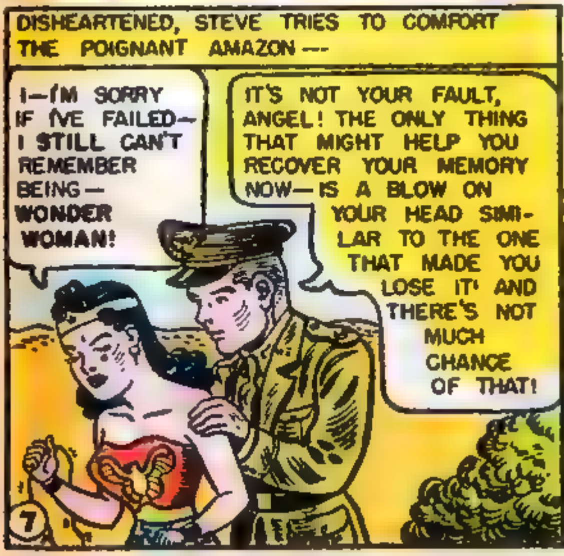
THE FOLLOWING DAY, AT CITY PARK---
HERE COME THE ACTORS IMPERSONATING CRIMINALS, **WONDER WOMAN!** WHEN YOU BATTLE THEM, IT MIGHT INSTANTLY RESTORE YOUR MEMORY!
I HOPE SO—I **STILL** CAN'T REMEMBER A THING!
BUT THE ACTOR-"CRIMINALS" ARE---
STOP LAUGHIN', YOU GUYS—OR YOU'LL MAKE THEM SUSPECT THAT **WE** TOOK THE **REAL** ACTORS' PLACES—AND HAVE **REAL** BULLETS IN OUR GUNS—'STEAD OF **BLANKS!**

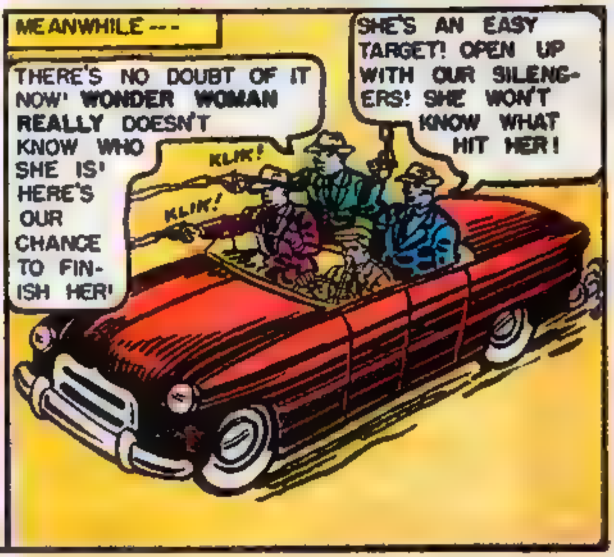

AS THE AMNESIA VICTIM FACES THE RUTHLESS IMPERSONATORS---
QUICK, WONDER WOMAN! LASSO THOSE GANGSTERS!
POW!
BAM!
POW!

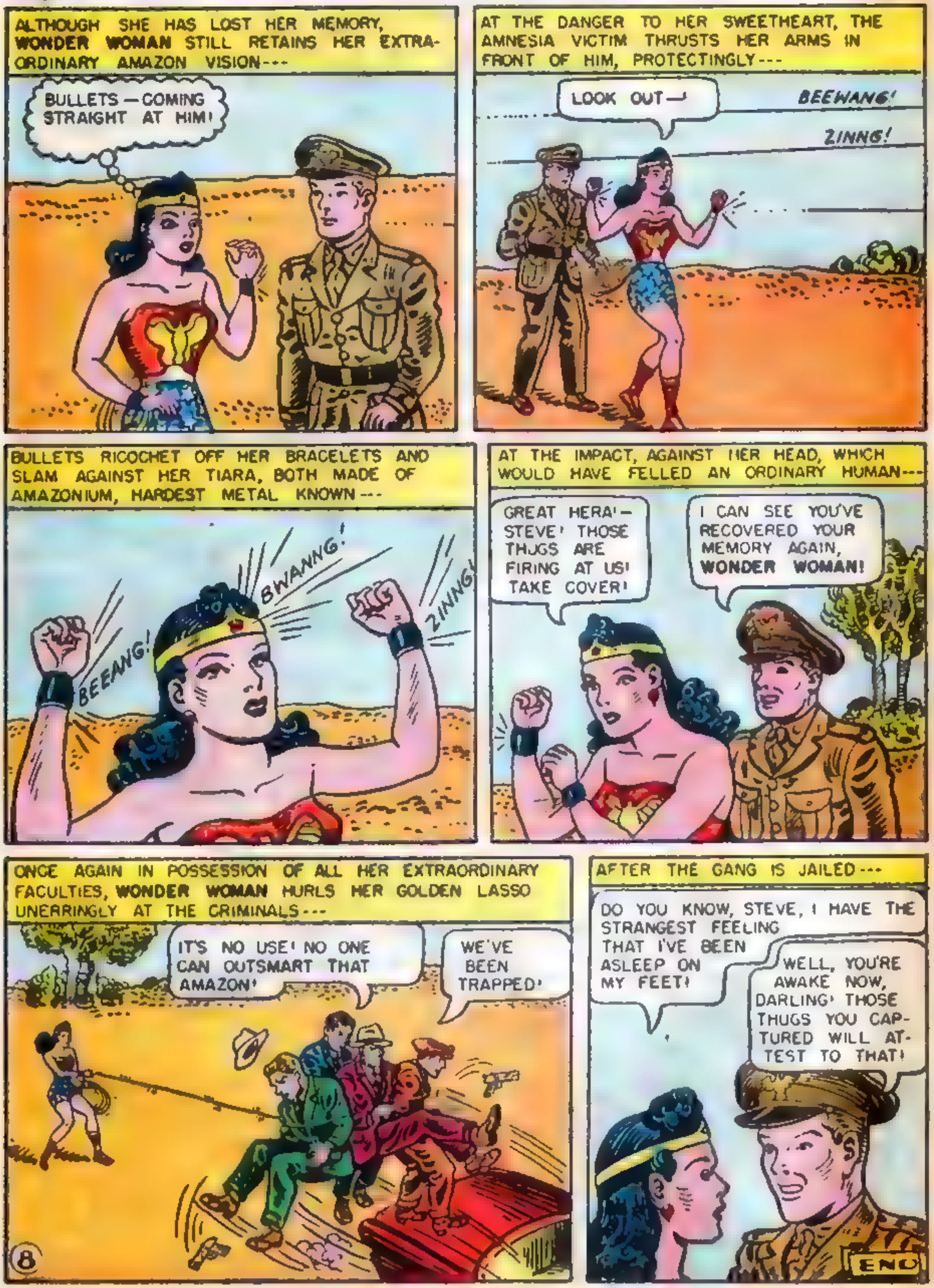

BUT---THE MOST SKILLFUL LASSOER IN THE WORLD ANSWERS---
I---I DON'T KNOW HOW TO THROW A LASSO---


CONCEALING HIS DISAPPOINTMENT, STEVE URGES---
CATCH THAT GANGSTER CAR, WONDER WOMAN!

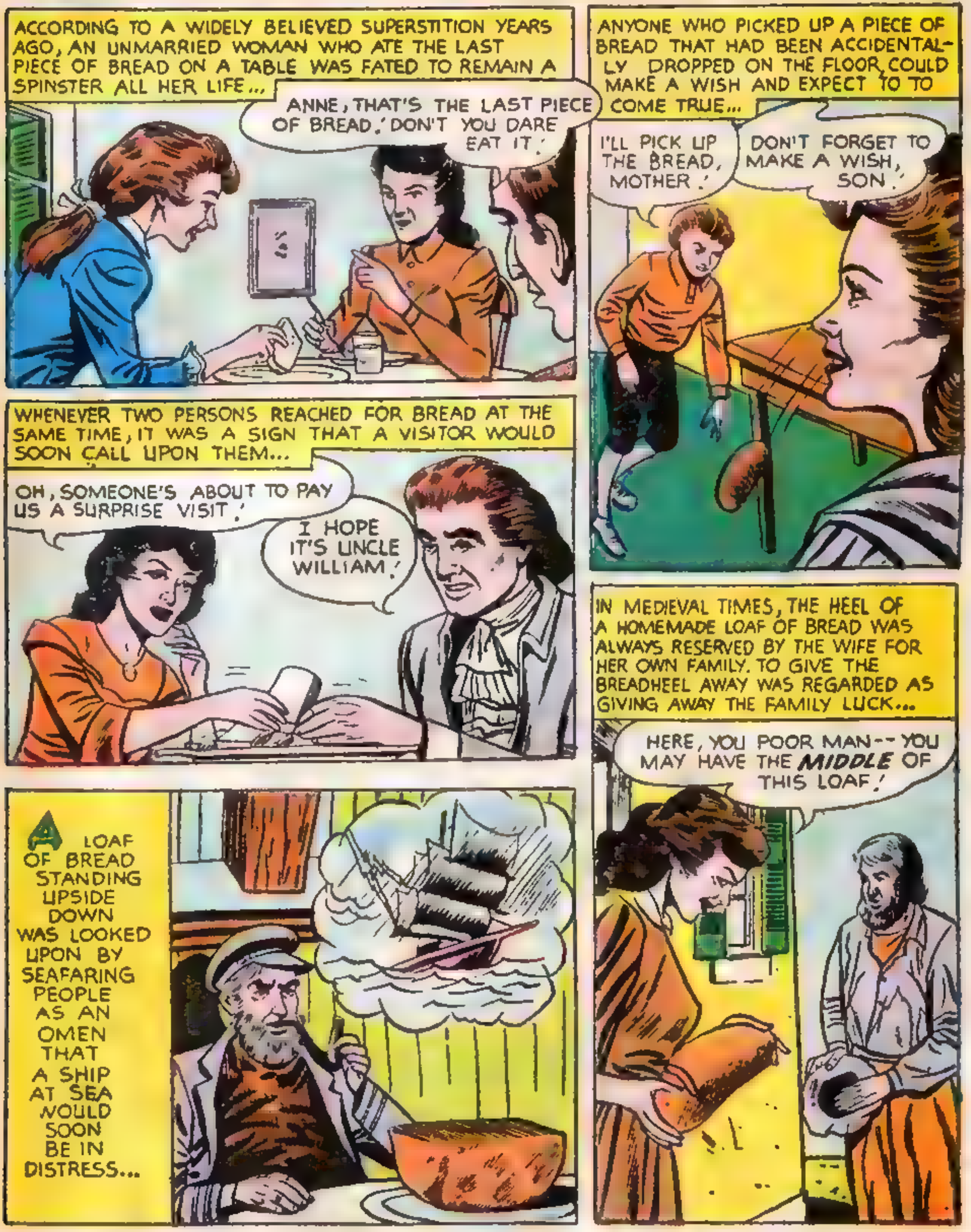

BUT THE FLEETEST HUMAN ON EARTH STARTLES HER AUDIENCE AS---
HOW CAN ANYONE— CATCH UP TO---A SPEEDING CAR—?


DISHEARTENED, STEVE TRIES TO COMFORT THE POIGNANT AMAZON---
I—I'M SORRY IF I'VE FAILED— I STILL CAN'T REMEMBER BEING— WONDER WOMAN!
IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT, ANGEL! THE ONLY THING THAT MIGHT HELP YOU RECOVER YOUR MEMORY NOW— IS A BLOW ON YOUR HEAD SIMILAR TO THE ONE THAT MADE YOU LOSE IT! AND THERE'S NOT MUCH CHANCE OF THAT!


MEANWHILE---
THERE'S NO DOUBT OF IT NOW! WONDER WOMAN REALLY DOESN'T KNOW WHO SHE IS! HERE'S OUR CHANCE TO FINISH HER!
SHE'S AN EASY TARGET! OPEN UP WITH OUR SILENCERS! SHE WON'T KNOW WHAT HIT HER!
KLIK!
KLIK!


ALTHOUGH SHE HAS LOST HER MEMORY, WONDER WOMAN STILL RETAINS HER EXTRAORDINARY AMAZON VISION---
BULLETS—COMING STRAIGHT AT HIM!
AT THE DANGER TO HER SWEETHEART, THE AMNESIA VICTIM THRUSTS HER ARMS IN FRONT OF HIM, PROTECTINGLY---
LOOK OUT—
BEEWANG!
ZINNG!
BULLETS RICOCHET OFF HER BRACELETS AND SLAM AGAINST HER TIARA, BOTH MADE OF AMAZONIUM, HARDEST METAL KNOWN---
BWANNG!
BEEANG!
ZINNG!
AT THE IMPACT, AGAINST HER HEAD, WHICH WOULD HAVE FELLED AN ORDINARY HUMAN---
GREAT HERA!—STEVE! THOSE THUGS ARE FIRING AT US! TAKE COVER!
I CAN SEE YOU'VE RECOVERED YOUR MEMORY AGAIN, WONDER WOMAN!
ONCE AGAIN IN POSSESSION OF ALL HER EXTRAORDINARY FACULTIES, WONDER WOMAN HURLS HER GOLDEN LASSO UNERRINGLY AT THE CRIMINALS---
IT'S NO USE! NO ONE CAN OUTSMART THAT AMAZON!
WE'VE BEEN TRAPPED!
AFTER THE GANG IS JAILED---
DO YOU KNOW, STEVE, I HAVE THE STRANGEST FEELING THAT I'VE BEEN ASLEEP ON MY FEET!
WELL, YOU'RE AWAKE NOW, DARLING! THOSE THUGS YOU CAPTURED WILL ATTEST TO THAT!
END

BREAD-TIME Stories!



ACCORDING TO A WIDELY BELIEVED SUPERSTITION YEARS AGO, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN WHO ATE THE LAST PIECE OF BREAD ON A TABLE WAS FATED TO REMAIN A SPINSTER ALL HER LIFE...

ANNE, THAT'S THE LAST PIECE OF BREAD! DON'T YOU DARE EAT IT!

ANYONE WHO PICKED UP A PIECE OF BREAD THAT HAD BEEN ACCIDENTALLY DROPPED ON THE FLOOR COULD MAKE A WISH AND EXPECT TO TO COME TRUE...

I'LL PICK UP THE BREAD, MOTHER!
DON'T FORGET TO MAKE A WISH, SON!

WHENEVER TWO PERSONS REACHED FOR BREAD AT THE SAME TIME, IT WAS A SIGN THAT A VISITOR WOULD SOON CALL UPON THEM...

OH, SOMEONE'S ABOUT TO PAY US A SURPRISE VISIT!
I HOPE IT'S UNCLE WILLIAM!

IN MEDIEVAL TIMES, THE HEEL OF A HOMEMADE LOAF OF BREAD WAS ALWAYS RESERVED BY THE WIFE FOR HER OWN FAMILY. TO GIVE THE BREADHEEL AWAY WAS REGARDED AS GIVING AWAY THE FAMILY LUCK...

HERE, YOU POOR MAN--YOU MAY HAVE THE ***MIDDLE*** OF THIS LOAF!

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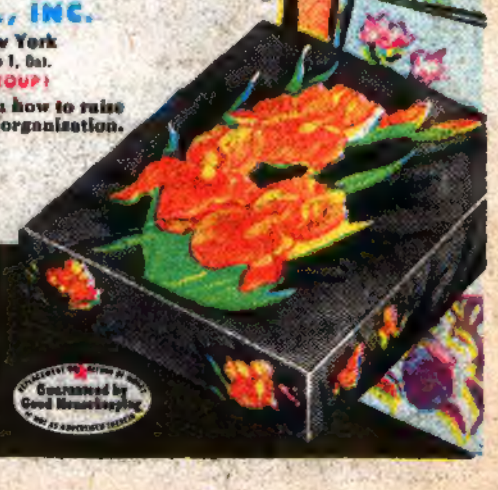

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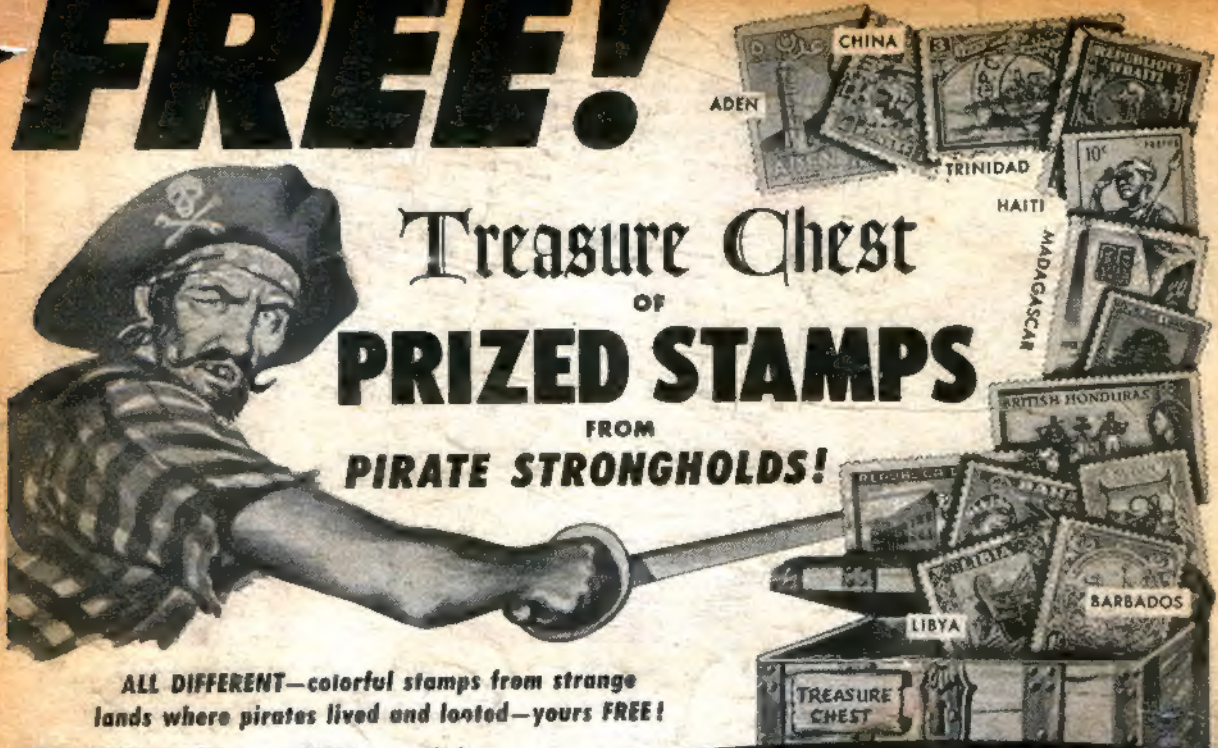

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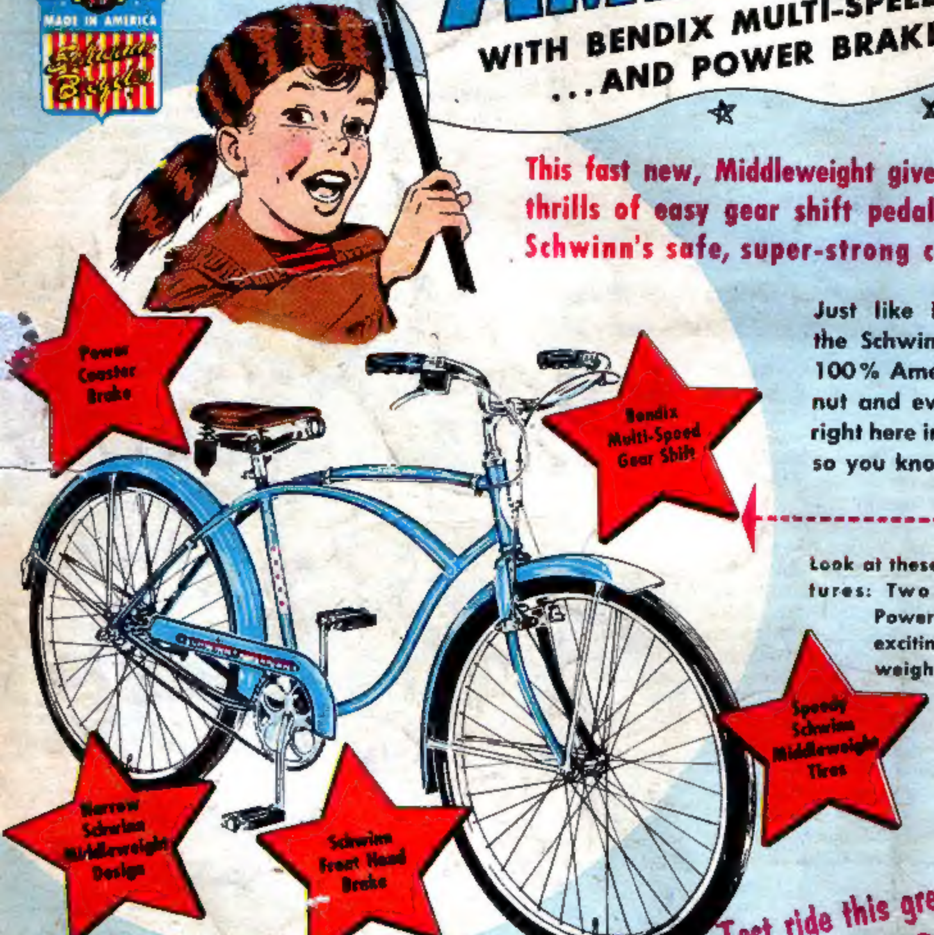
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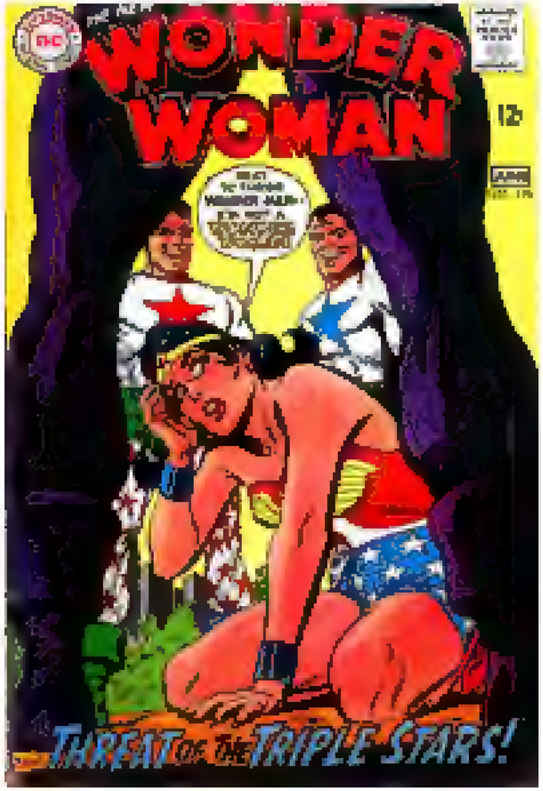
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